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### FATALITY ON LINER

YOUNG A.B. ON QUEEN MARY

Slip On Deck Causes Injury

VESSEL NOT ATTEMPTING RECORD JOURNEY



London, To-day. A fatal accident aboard the Queen Mary is reported. Arthur Golding, a 22-year-old lad making his first trip as an Able Seaman, was found unconscious and bleeding profusely on the deck. Apparently he slipped and struck his head, and subsequently died. The passengers were not aware of the death or the burial.

A moderate swell yesterday included a slight roll, somewhat destroying the earlier illusions of a luxurious hotel ashore. There is no hope of a record on the present trip, as the ship has not yet reached the speed attained on the outward voyage or the average speed of the Normandie's fastest homeward voyage. The vessel has covered 670 miles in the last 23 hours.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

LIVE GRENADE BURSTS AND KILLS THREE PEOPLE

Trieste, to-day. — In the Tarnova Valley near Trieste a man and his wife, with a 15-year-old son, found a grenade that had been buried since the World War. With the object of selling it as old iron, they loaded it on a cart, not suspecting that it had never exploded. On the way the cart overturned, the grenade burst and all three persons were killed.

### OBITUARY

Mr. John H. Hammond

WELL-KNOWN MINING ENGINEER

London, To-day.

The death has occurred at Gloucester, Massachusetts, of Mr. John Hays Hammond, the famous mining engineer, after a long illness.—Reuter.

Mr. John Hays Hammond was born in San Francisco on March 31, 1855, and educated at the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, where he was graduated Ph.B. in 1876. Subsequently taking a course in mining at the Royal School of Mines, Freiberg, Germany, he became special expert of the U. S. Geological Survey, examining the California gold-fields in 1880. In 1883 he became consulting engineer to Barnato Bros. (S. Africa) and later to Cecil Rhodes; consulting engineer to the Consolidated Gold Fields of S. Africa, the British S. Africa Company and the Randfontein Estates Gold Mining Company; was one of the four leaders in the reform movement in the Transvaal, 1895-6; after the abortive Jameson Raid was arrested and sentenced to death, subsequently commuted to 15 years' imprisonment; afterwards released on payment of \$125,000; then came to London and became interested in several large mining concerns; travelled extensively, examining mines in U.S. and Mexico; became a professor at Yale University and Chairman of many mining and scientific societies; was special representative of President Taft at the Coronation of King George V.

### SUPREME COURT CLAIM

### SILK FILATURES FOR BOMBAY

### DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINE CITED AS DEFENDANTS

A special jury was empanelled at the Supreme Court this morning to hear the claim, brought by Messrs. Rajaram Girdharilal and Company, against the Dollar Steamship Line. The claim was for \$92,862.75, being the cost of 370 bales of raw silk filatures which the defendants undertook to ship for the Chinese Overseas Inter-Trading Company, Canton, to the plaintiffs, in Bombay, by the s.s. President van Buren.

His Honour Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden took the case and Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., and Mr. Leo D'Almada, jnr., instructed by Messrs. Deacon's, were for the plaintiffs, while the defendants were represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist.

The jury was composed of the following:—Messrs. W. A. Cornell (foreman), Li Tse Fong, C. M. Gee, V. D. Sorby, H. H. Priestley, J. D. Danby and T. A. Mitchell.

Outlining the case for the plaintiffs, Mr. Sheldon said that the claim concerned a cargo of silk, and that the first dealings between the parties concerned was in March, 1934, when the plaintiffs bought 50 bales of silk from a company in Canton and shipped the cargo to Bombay by the s.s. President Polk. Everything was carried out satisfactorily, and in July, 1934, there was a further transaction, when plaintiffs bought 370 bales of silk from the Chinese Overseas Inter-Trading Company in Canton and an agreement was made between the parties concerned in the claim for the shipment of this cargo to Bombay.

DOCUMENTS IN ORDER

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M. Vandervelde Faces Difficulties

Brussels, To-day. M. Vandervelde has informed His Majesty the King of his inability to form a Cabinet, owing to the fact that the Catholic Party is unwilling to co-operate with the Socialist Party. It is believed that M. Van Zeeland will be recalled to form a Government.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

### STRIKE SITUATION UNALTERED

### "GLOOMY SUNDAY" AIR IN PARIS

### FURTHER CONFERENCES HELD

Paris, To-day.

The capital still wears an English Sunday appearance in certain quarters, where the big department stores are still occupied by strikers, but after a meeting yesterday afternoon between representatives of employers and workers, presided over by the Minister of Interior, it is hoped that agreement will be reached and work resumed to-day.

The end of the strike of petrol suppliers yesterday resulted in increased street traffic, but the taxi-drivers, shopwalkers and such like persons are not included in the newly signed labour charter, which only covers the industries, and therefore it is possible that such trades may strike in order to secure their inclusion.

Owing to the absence of newspapers in the provinces the news of the strike settlement travelled slowly, and it is impossible yet to state how many have returned, but generally the situation is unaltered.

Some 1,500 Dunkirk dockers struck, threatening the cross-Channel service, while miners in the Nord at Pas de Calais struck, according to their decision taken on Saturday. Miners' delegates are meeting the employers today at Douai, when it is expected that a settlement will be reached.

Paris, later. The premises of seven insurance companies are now occupied by stay-in strikers, bringing the total number of strikers to 10,000.—Reuter.

### LINDBERGH RANSOM MONEY

To Be Handled To Col. Lindbergh's Adviser

Trenton, N.J., To-day. Colonel Lindbergh has instructed the authorities to hand over to his friend and legal adviser, Colonel Breckinridge, the \$14,860 of ransom money found in Hauptmann's home.—Reuter.

### FILIPINO FLIERS FORCED DOWN

### SAFE LANDING AT FORT BAYARD

The Filipino-Madrid fliers F. Arnau and J. Calvo, who took off yesterday for Hanoi, but for whom grave anxiety was felt when no word was received after a lapse of eight hours, were forced down at Fort Bayard through bad weather, making a safe landing.

They resumed their journey later and arrived at Hanoi at 6 o'clock.

They left Hong Kong at 10.50 a.m. yesterday and expected to cover the second stage of their journey to Madrid in a little under seven hours, but when eight hours had passed and no word had been received either here or at Hanoi grave fears for the fliers was felt.

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### World Flight By Mollisons?

London, to-day. As the aero-plane firms are busy with the new Air Force expansion programme Mrs. Amy Mollison and her husband are contemplating a world flight in two separate planes, Fiji, Honolulu, America and the Atlantic, girdling the globe in a flight of 27,000 miles.—Reuter.

abandoned the hope of securing a big plane, but it may be impossible to get one in time to leave England at the end of August.

They plan to fly to Australia.



H. L. Davis, a former cow-puncher, whose novel, "Honey in the Horn," has been awarded the Pulitzer Prize, is shown above. The book dealing with life in Oregon had previously won the seventh annual \$7,500 Harper prize novel contest.

### OFFICIAL STATEMENT BY CHIANG ADMITTED DIFFERENCES WITH CANTON BUT NO EXCUSE FOR CIVIL WAR

Nanking, To-day.

The first official pronouncement on the southern situation was made yesterday by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who said that the Government would continue to adhere to the policy of safeguarding the nation's interests. He admitted that there had been differences between Nanking and Canton, but believed that the Kwangtung and Kwangsi leaders would not seize upon the Government's foreign policy as an "excuse to start a civil war," nor proclaim their independence.

He emphasised that the questions of declaring war or negotiating peace rested with the Central Government and not with a minority inspired by personal feeling. He announced that a plenary session of the Central Executive Committee would be held to discuss the situation. He hoped that Kwangsi and Kwanzung would attend in full force.—Reuter.

### SEVERE PRESS COMMENT

"Intransigence" May Lead To Disaster

### CANTON'S POLICY REBUKED

Bucharest, To-day. The Morning Post says that once again the politicians in Canton are endangering the peace of the Far East for no discoverable motive other than the satisfaction of personal enmity. Had they been in office in Nanking the Cantonese would have done no better than Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in dealing with Japan, for Chinese resistance at the encroachment is impossible in China's present state.

The grand stand, where over 3,000 guests were assembled, was directly opposite the Royal Stand, where King Carol himself, the Czechoslovakian President, Dr. Benes, and the Yugoslavian Regent, Prince Paul, both of whom were in Bucharest to attend the rulers' conference, as well as the brothers of the King, Prince Nicholas, Marie, Queen Dowager of Romania, numerous dignitaries of the Court, and the entire Diplomatic Corps had just taken their place.

Just as the first group of youths with flags flying and bands playing was opposite the grand stand it crashed with a deafening roar, in full view of all the spectators on the Royal Stand and 30,000 others who were assembled in the grounds. A wild panic broke out, the crowd refusing to be calmed by reassuring statements.

KING TO RESCUE

King Carol and his brother, with great presence of mind, took the rescue work into their own hands. The exact number of casualties is not yet known. An official statement says that the report of one news agency, that 24 people were killed and over 400 injured, is not true, but that three people are dead and about 80 injured. It is, however, expected that very many of those hurt, consisting mostly of women and children, will not recover.

Although horror filled all those who witnessed and heard of the tragedy, the King ordered that the programme of the day be carried through, although in somewhat subdued form, after the victims had been removed. The reason for this was that the crowd was still in such a state of agitation that it was unwise to break off. When at last quiet had been restored the programme came to a close.—Trans-Ocean Service.

### EMPLOYMENT IN BRITAIN

Marked Improvement Evident

### SATISFACTORY FIGURES

London, To-day. A further marked decrease in the numbers of unemployed is shown in the return for May, issued by the Labour Ministry last night. The Ministry estimates that at May 25 the number of insured persons aged 16 to 64 in employment in Great Britain exclusive of agricultural workers was approximately 10,331,000. This was 119,000 more than at April 27 and 472,000 more than at May 20, 1935. Agricultural workers became insured at the beginning of May, but the statistics of the numbers of such workers in employment are not yet available.

At May 25 the numbers of registered unemployed were 1,705,042, comprising 1,297,765 wholly unemployed, 225,285 temporarily laid off, and 22,002 normally in casual employment. The total was 126,183 less than the month before, and 339,710 less than a year ago. British Wireless Service.

### KING'S LEVEE IN LONDON

Visit To Portsmouth Also Arranged

London, To-day. H. M. the King will drive in a State carriage, accompanied by a Sovereign's Escort of Household Cavalry, this morning from York House to Buckingham Palace, where His Majesty is holding a Levee, and on the return journey.

It was announced yesterday that the King is visiting Portsmouth on June 30 to inspect the establishments in the Portmouth Naval Command. His Majesty will visit the naval barracks and afterwards the Marines' barracks at Eastney, and will lunch with Admiral Sir John Kelly, Commander-in-Chief, at Admiralty House. The King may also visit the Royal Yacht Victoria and Albert, which has recently undergone her annual overhaul.—British Wireless Service.

## MAIL SCHEDULES

## AIR MAIL

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Bandoeng-Amsterdam via Singapore  
Saigon-Marseille via Saigon

## Singapore-Australia

Correspondence will be accepted for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the Post Offices. All letters etc. must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at the Post Office.

The Money Order Office is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. except on Saturdays when it closes at 12 noon and on Sundays and holidays when it is entirely closed.

An Air Mail Box has been erected at the General Post Office. Correspondence intended for the R.M.A. "Dorado" must be posted before 8.30 a.m. on Friday. In Kowloon such correspondence may be posted in the ordinary box at Kowloon Post Office which will be cleared at 8 a.m. on Friday. The public are particularly requested to see that their letters bear sufficient postage. Correspondence bearing insufficient postage will be forwarded by ordinary services.

## NEW POSTAL RATES

Attention is drawn to the increased postal rates effective as from 1st June 1936. Unpaid or insufficiently prepaid correspondence is only deliverable against payment of double the deficiency.

No 15 cent stamps are at present on sale and 10 cent and 5 cent stamps should be used. 20 cent and 5 cent stamps will be accepted for the 25 cent rate as soon as the present stock of 25 cent stamps is exhausted.

## INWARD MAIIS.

## FROM EUROPE June

R.M.A. Dorado (Imperial Airways direct Service) " 9

Corfu (via Suez) " 10

## FROM U.S.A. June

Pres. Grant " 12

## FROM SHANGHAI June

Tjinegaro " 9

Tatsuma Maru " 11

Pres. Grant " 12

Ranpura " 13

D'Artagnan " 14

Dencaion " 15

## FROM STRAITS &amp; INDIA June

Burdwan " 9

Suisang " 12

Demodocus " 15

## FROM JAPAN June

Dakar Maru " 10

Anyo Maru " 10

Nazara Maru " 11

Tatsuma Maru " 11

Pres. Grant " 12

Ranpura " 13

Malacca Maru " 15

## FROM MANILA June

Scharnhorst " 9

Emp. of Russia " 10

Changte " 12

Pres. Hoover " 12

## FROM AUSTRALIA June

Changte " 12

## OUTWARD MAIIS.

## FOR EUROPE June

Scharnhorst " 9

Stentor (via Siberia) " 10

Emp. of Russia (via Vancouver and Siberia) " 11

Closes Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.

R.M.A. Dorado (Imperial Airways direct Service) " 12

Ranpura (via Marseilles) " 13

Closes Reg. 9.45 a.m.

Ord. 10.30 a.m.

## FOR SHANGHAI June

Scharnhorst " 9

Stentor " 10

Emp. of Russia " 11

Pres. Hoover " 12

## FOR AUSTRALIA June

Ranpura " 13

## FOR U.S.A. June

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## CORONER STOPS FUNERAL

## Inquest Ordered On Man Aged 74

## WORRIED BY LETTERS ABOUT A DOG

Longfield (Kent). Arrangements for the funeral of Mr. Ernest Edgar Crofts, aged 74, a retired postal employee, of Longfield, which was to have taken place last month, were cancelled a few hours before the time fixed for the ceremony.

The North-West Kent coroner arranged for an inquest at Dartford the following day.

Mr. Crofts had been ill since February. The grave had been made ready at Brookwood Cemetery, and all arrangements completed for the service, when the superintendent received an order cancelling the funeral.

Since then Dr. Davis, a Home Office pathologist, made a post-mortem examination. His report is awaited.

Police also took statements from Mrs. Crofts, aged 44, wife of the dead man, and her sister, Mrs. Pounce, who has been living with her for a short time. Mrs. Crofts, who is a qualified chemist, was laid up in bed suffering from shock, but the story of the events leading up to Mr. Crofts's death and the subsequent events was told by her sister.

## 200 Anonymous Letters

Mr. Crofts was not bed-ridden, but had been attended by a doctor from time to time, as is natural for a man of his age," said Mrs. Pounce. "Two days before his death he was playing bridge and was looking forward to his summer holiday. He had worked out the itinerary.

"Although he suffered pain from time to time he enjoyed life. On Saturday, he collapsed after a light breakfast and died soon after. The doctor examined him and after a consultation with a colleague was unable to certify the cause of death."

Mrs. Crofts's sister added that Mr. Crofts had been worried as a result of an incident of six months ago when he was fined £40 for alleged cruelty to a dog which had been brought to him for destruction.

She said that he was inundated from all parts of the country with anonymous letters. A night or two before his death he burnt all these. There were about 200.

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Emp. of Russia " 11

Pres. Hoover " 12

Ranpura " 12

## FOR MANILA June

Tjinegaro " 9

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Pres. Grant " 13

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA June

Chaksang " 10

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## SPECIAL JOURNEY IN HOLLAND TOWN WITH A "JANE AUSTEN" ATMOSPHERE

I have just travelled 1,000 miles through Holland and seen what the Dutch are doing to improve the conditions of a people depressed by loss of export trade, and to popularise, by cheap sea, rail and road transport the lesser-known towns in their wonderful country, writes a special correspondent to the Daily Telegraph.

The visit was arranged by the Netherlands Official Information Office for Tourists, in association with the Netherlands Railway. In our party were a number of British travel agents. At The Hague we were received by Baron Kravenhoff, president of the Tourist Information Bureau, Mr. Posthumus Meijjes, of the Netherlands Railways, and Mr. van Deventer, managing director of the Tourist Information Bureau.

Now Dr. Krolle-Muller rents his beautiful house from the Government.

Magnificent Bridge At Nijmegen the old Imperial town beloved by Charlemagne near the German frontier and on the site of an ancient Roman city, a magnificent bridge is being built over the River Waal.

This bridge, which the Queen of Holland will open on June 16, has a span of 800 feet. Like most of the roads in Holland, it will have its special roadway for bicyclists.

Dutch enterprise is also seen in the hotels, many of which are wonderful. In the last week I have stayed in six different hotels in different parts of Holland. Cleanliness is universal.

Unique Charm In the bedroom of one hotel I found, in addition to the usual furniture, a bedside reading lamp, telephone, telephone book, full instructions for using telephone, a card in four languages: "If you prefer not to be disturbed during the day, hang this on the outside of your door." A thermometer, hot and cold water basin, shaving light, stool to rest the foot on while putting on shoes, pin cushion on wall with pins and two threaded needles, a desk, arm chair, cupboard the size of an ordinary room for clothes, and a new and unwrapped safety razor blade on the wall!

Magnificent Ride With this eight-day season ticket the tourist may travel the length and breadth of Holland in swift and smooth steel trains, drawn by Diesel engines, over modern bridges into country which quickly dispels the illusion that all Holland is charming but very flat!

Holland abounds in towns where a vigorous present goes hand-in-hand with a treasured past. Such

town is Leeuwarden, in the North of Holland. The ride from Alkmaar is a magnificent one through lush fields by the side of canal banks, and across the wonderful Zuider Zee Dyke.

Friesland, which is the capital of Friesland, is spacious and beautiful. Its most famous building was once a lighthouse, for the North Sea has lapped against Leeuwarden.

The bright sunlight of Holland fills its broad street; coloured barges idly ride its dark waters. Its museum has a superb collection of Japanese and Chinese porcelain, and of 17th and 18th century silver for which Friesian silversmiths were renowned.

Land of Firs And Heather But Leeuwarden is also the headquarters of the famous Frico Cooperative Dairy Produce Company, the largest dairy organisation in Holland.

How different is Arnhem, far south of Leeuwarden, to which the train carries one over the level Dutch country in three hours! Arnhem, nobly situated on the Rhine, is a land of firs and heather and a town of wide, light streets and "Jane Austen" atmosphere."

Not far from Arnhem is the Dutch National Park of 15,000 acres, part of which is cultivated and part untouched. Here I saw wild sheep and deer.

In the centre is the most remarkable house I have ever seen. It was designed by the architect Berlage for Dr. Krolle-Muller, who owned the entire estate and gave it to the nation.

A few days before long jagged pieces of glass were discovered by a woman rider on the downs. A number of broken bottles had been forced into the ground in such a way that horses passing over them would be maimed.

Notices were posted in the village and countryside offering a reward for information.

Major John Barber, steward for Sir Warden Chilcott, said: "We exercise about 16 of our best horses regularly on the track where the glass was found."

TYRE EXPLOSION DEATH Curious Accident At Manchester

A man's death following the explosion of a tyre was described at the inquest at Manchester last month on George William Edge, aged 51, a mechanic, of Oldham road, Failsworth, Manchester.

It was stated that Edge with another man had been mending a puncture in a tractor tyre, and it burst when they were tightening nuts after replacing the inner tube and rim.

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## THAMES RESCUE

While working on the demolition of Waterloo Bridge last month Jack Murphy, aged 40, a labourer of Lambeth-road, S.E., fell into the Thames.

He was rescued by the waterman who was in attendance in his boat, near the bridge, and was moved to Charing Cross Hospital, suffering from head injuries and shock.

## POLICE SEARCH ABANDONED

## Motorist Who Took Child Away

Worthing. Police last month abandoned their search for the man who took away in his car one morning an eight-year-old girl, Jean Cotman, of Lower Old Shoreham-road, Shoreham, and later left her near her home.

The girl, it is stated, was playing with other children near Bucking-ham Park when a man in a saloon car stopped. He told them he was trying to find his daughter and asked if one of them would go with him.

Several of the girls refused, but Jean volunteered, apparently thinking he was someone she had met before. He took her into the country, asked her to try on some clothes, and then brought her part of the way back to Shoreham.

Medical examination showed that she was none the worse for her experience.

## A "Touch Of The Sun"

Many people at this time of year get what is commonly known as a "touch of the sun," the outstanding feature of which is a blinding, devastating headache.

Whilst it is true that heat and glare are responsible in some considerable degree for these hot weather headaches, the fact that they do not attack everybody proves that the general condition of the health also has much to do with them; thin blood, faulty digestion and weak, ill-nourished nerves are predisposing causes.

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Mountain Lodge	1,725
The Eryie	1,725
Peak Hotel	1,805
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (filterbeds)	297
<b>MAINLAND</b>	
<b>Feet</b>	
Taimoshan	3,124
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### "FLYING FLEA" RISKS

### Jury Supports Air League Appeal

### ENQUIRY SEQUEL TO TEST CRASH

The appeal of the Air League to the Air Ministry, for prohibition of the flying in England of "Flying Flea" aeroplanes, was supported last month by the jury at the inquest at Chiddington Causeway, Kent, on Flight-Lt. Ambrose Murray Cowell, aged 27, who was killed while testing one at Penshurst.

Returning a verdict of accidental death, the jury added a rider strongly supporting the action of the Air League in its recommendation to the Air Ministry, and expressing the hope that the League would pursue that policy as strongly as it could. The jury also stated that test flying should not be carried out over inhabited areas.

The Coroner, Mr. A. H. Neve, stated: "There is to be an official enquiry into the matter. I had an opportunity of seeing Major Cooper (Air Ministry Inspector of Accidents) and he told me that the Government is giving very considerable attention to it."

#### Testing Duties

Mr. Sidney Ernest Veale, assistant secretary to the Air League, which was described as an association of people desiring to promote flying, gave evidence that Flight-Lt. Cowell was engaged by the League. His duties included testing "Flying Fleas" at the request of their owners.

"He had," said Mr. Veale, "actually tested and flown seven different machines. I think probably he had more experience of different types of 'Flying Fleas' than anyone else in the country."

The Coroner: The Air Ministry do not assume any responsibility with regard to the airworthiness of these small machines, do they?

That is so.

Robert G. Doig, of Sidcup-hill, Sidcup, who said he had an interest in the ownership of the machine which had been constructed by a Croydon firm, stated that on April 27 Flight-Lt. Cowell examined the engine and all its parts, suggesting certain alterations in wing position, checking the centre of gravity and other things.

"I formed the opinion that any defects had been entirely met," added Mr. Doig.

#### Had Other Plans

A Juror: Could the pilot himself, by any movement, upset the balance of the machine?—No, sir. Once the machine is balanced and flying through the air nothing in the world can upset that balance. You could walk out on to a wing tip.

Mrs. Elisabeth Louisa Cowell, of Bruton-street, London, stated in her evidence: "I think my husband was pretty tied up with the Fleas."

The Coroner: He did not like the Flea. He thought it was risky?—He had other plans.

The coroner observed that the Air Ministry had recently deliberately adopted the policy of standing aside from the inspection, supervision and control of small aeroplanes intended for private use.

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## BRIDGE NOTES

### A VITAL CLUE

By Ely Culbertson

In most hands, the bidding, the opening lead, and subsequent fall of cards are vital clues at the service of a shrewd detective-declarer in his search for the correct line of play. The best of these clues often is of a negative nature—something on the type of "he couldn't have stolen the jewels because he was in gaol at the time." Thus, the failure of a player to have made a bid sometimes may be correctly interpreted to mean that he did not hold a certain key card.

West, dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH  
S. A 9 4 2  
H. Q 10 7  
D. K 10  
C. J 10 6

WEST  
S. 8 5  
H. A K 4 2  
D. A 5 3  
C. 7 5 4 2

EAST  
S. K  
H. J 9 6 3  
D. 9 8 7 4 2  
C. 9 8 3

SOUTH  
S. Q J 10 7 6 3  
H. 8 5  
D. Q 6  
C. A K Q

The bidding:  
West North East South  
Pass Pass Pass 1S.  
Pass 2NT Pass 3S.  
Pass 4S. Pass Pass

Double [final bid]  
West's consistent passing, up to his penalty double, was correct despite his three honour tricks. He had a miserable playing hand. His final double was, of course, a "stab."

West opened the heart king, and when he saw the dummy and his partner's discouraging three of hearts, underlined the diamond ace. North played the king [to insure that East, if he held the ace, would disclose it then and there], and when it held the trick, the declarer had a perfect picture of the situation.

West already had shown the ace and king of hearts and the ace of diamonds—and had passed first hand. Well, he might pass with three tricks and poor distribution, but that was the maximum—he could not have held the king of spades in addition. Declarer could not know that it was singleton in East's hand, but he did know that West didn't have it and that a finesse, therefore, couldn't avail. His good luck in dropping the king on the ace and fulfilling his contract was completely merited by his sound judgment.

That is so.

Robert G. Doig, of Sidcup-hill, Sidcup, who said he had an interest in the ownership of the machine which had been constructed by a Croydon firm, stated that on April 27 Flight-Lt. Cowell examined the engine and all its parts, suggesting certain alterations in wing position, checking the centre of gravity and other things.

"I formed the opinion that any defects had been entirely met," added Mr. Doig.

#### Had Other Plans

A Juror: Could the pilot himself, by any movement, upset the balance of the machine?—No, sir. Once the machine is balanced and flying through the air nothing in the world can upset that balance. You could walk out on to a wing tip.

Mrs. Elisabeth Louisa Cowell, of Bruton-street, London, stated in her evidence: "I think my husband was pretty tied up with the Fleas."

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Eric Crocker, aged 16, of Rotherhithe-street, S.E. 15, and James Taylor, aged 15, of Paradise-street, Rotherhithe, were rescued by river police last month after their canoe—a frail, homemade craft—which they were paddling had overturned.

The two boys were swept down the river by the tide and were swirled under barges moored at Hanover barge roads. The river police boat had seen the accident and gone in pursuit, and eventually the boys were dragged to safety.

Highlights of the musical are a thrilling, laugh-loaded comedy chase on a Giant Roller Coaster and a wild balloon ascent, with Eddie and Parkyakarikus in the basket and the gangsters at the controls.



The huge blimp at Lakehurst, near New York, where the German dirigible Hindenburg tied up after her first North Atlantic crossing last month.

## RADIO

### TODAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.s.)

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-11 p.m.—European Programme.

7 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry.

"Monologue in Melody." John Ridley in syncopated piano forte music.

7.15 p.m.—The London Novelty Orchestra.

The Midnight Waltz (Amadio).

Neapolitan Nights (Zamecnik).

Dream of Autumn (Joyce).

Choristers' Waltz (Phelps).

7.30 p.m.—From the Studio.

Selections by "The Harmony Boys."

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report, Stock Quotations and Announcements.

8.05 p.m.—Russian Melodies.

Past D'Espagne Waltz.

Down the Mother Volga.

Prelude Slav; From Sunrise to Sunset; Beautiful Moon; Along Petrograd Road; Bake no Bread.

8.15 p.m.—From the Studio.

The 2nd of a series of talks on Gilbert and Sullivan Operas, No. 2.

"The First Triumph" H.M.S. Pinafore by Rev. T. F. Ryan.

8.45 p.m.—Primo Scali's Accordeon Band.

Waltzes round the World.

Song of the Liff.

Old Ship O' Mine.

9 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin and Announcements (Copyright by Reuters).

9.30 p.m.—Cinema Organ Medley.

Broadway Melody of 1936—Selection.

Curly Top—Selection.

Indian Love Call—"Rose Marie."

9.30 p.m.—From the Studio.

A Recital by Anna Winter (Soprano) accompanied by Luba Shaftain.

9.45 p.m.—Song Memories.

Drinks All Round.

Medley of Leslie Stuart's Songs.

Vocal Gems—Harry Lauder.

10 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry.

Big Ben Talk: "Imperial Affairs" by H. V. Hodson.

10.15 p.m.—Dance Music.

11 p.m.—Close Down.

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## F. X. SILVA'S EASY LAWN BOWLS SINGLES WIN

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Maughan started well, scoring a "possible" on the second end to lead 4-1, but that proved only a flash in the pan, and thereafter Silva scored consistently until the 12th head, when his opponent notched a three to make the score 16-9. A and a "possible" in the next two heads, respectively, gave Silva the right to enter the Second Round.

On the Police Recreation Club green D. C. Alves and F. V. Ribeiro gave T. Coleman and G. N. Mitchell a close fight, the match ending in a 23-21 win for the latter. The other matches resulted very much as expected.—

### Open Singles

F. X. M. da Silva 22, B. E. Maughan 9 (14 heads) at C.C.C.

R. P. Phillips 10, M. J. Henderson 7 (10 heads) at Recreio.

Game stopped on account of the rain.

The match between H. F. Rosario and L. F. Xavier, which was scheduled to be played on the K.C.C. green, was postponed.

### Open Pairs

H. A. Alves and L. J. Silva 30, A. Bakar and F. M. Arculli II at C.S.C.C.

SW. L. Walker and H. H. Rose 22, P. Cheesman and J. G. Gill 17 (23 heads) at K.D.R.C.

A. E. Coates and J. Cavanagh 31, J. M. Alves and L. J. Basto II at H.K.F.C.

C. Roza Pereira and C. G. Silva 12, A. Steven and J. A. E. Selby 2 (7 heads) at K.E.C.C.

J. Macdonald and A. M. Holland 10, F. A. Machado and H. A. Rosario 7 (10 heads) at K.D.R.C.

G. N. Mitchell and T. Coleman 23, D. C. Alves and F. V. Ribeiro 21 (21 heads) at Police R.C.

Game abandoned. To be continued on a date to be announced later.

Game continued from last week when the game was abandoned on the 13th head - with Walker and Rose leading 13-4.

### Further Changes

Further rearrangements have become necessary in the fixtures in the local lawn bowls championships.

The Singles match fixed for yesterday between H. F. Rosario and Robertson.

## THREE RECORDS BROKEN IN U.A.U. FINALS

### CRICKET NEWS FROM NEAR AND FAR

CAMBRIDGE, this year, have but few Freshmen of repute. This, perhaps, is lucky, for there are only two vacant places in the eleven.

The nine Blues are Bartlett, Tindall, Griffith, Gible, Yardley, Cameron, Hotchkiss, Wooller, and Jahanir Khan.

A fast bowler could not be found in 1935, and probably William Rees Davies from Eton will get in this year.

He is doing well at the nets, and took four wickets for one run against The Army at Lord's. It is interesting to note that he is the son of Sir William Rees-Davis, formerly Chief Justice in Hong Kong.

#### SURREY'S BATTING STRENGTH

SPLENDID batting by Squires, Barling, Gregory and E. R. T. Holmes enabled Surrey to recover from a poor start against Leicestershire at Leicester. Their first innings' total is 351.

There were two partnerships of three figures. After Surry's opening pair were dismissed for 22, Squires and Barling put on 135 in just under two hours, and later Gregory and Holmes scored 114 together in 85 minutes for the sixth wicket.

The Surrey captain drove with great power. He scored his first 50 runs out of 76 in 50 minutes and hit four 6's and three 4's.

Gregory batted two hours, and 50 minutes and was unbeaten. He concentrated on sound defence when Holmes was attacking the bowling, and by his steadiness played a very helpful part.

Barling hit attractively in front of the wicket, and his 64 included six 4's. Squires, fourth to leave at 174, lost his wicket through a change of mind. He jumped in to drive Astill, then drew back, missed the ball, and was leg-before. He hit five 4's in a stay of 2½ hours.

#### 60 YEARS A CRICKETER

CROYDON'S alderman cricketer, Alderman W. H. Jarvis, who this season would have completed his 60th year as a regular player, died suddenly on April 22. He was formerly head of Croydon British School and for 34 years had been secretary of Croydon Y.M.C.A.

In his early days he played cricket for his native county, Devon. In 1926, his jubilee as a cricketer, he took exactly 100 wickets in match games.

#### BOLDNESS AND CAUTION

WHATEVER degree of technical ability they may show later, the All-India cricket tourists have fighting spirit.

They showed that at Worcester, when sent in by the Hon. C. J. Lyttelton, the Worcestershire captain.

With a mixture of lively batting and caution—exemplified chiefly by Nayudu, the hitter, and Merchant, the solid, they built up a good score.

The 50 took five minutes over an hour, but Nayudu, the "star" of the 1932 tour, soon changed the scoring rate.

He died severely with the slows of Warne and Howorth, and in half an hour the score was doubled.

Merchant, safe in defence but always ready to drive or pull, batted admirably.

#### AGGRESSIVE

battling after a grim and stolid start by Leyland was the feature of Yorkshire's first County match of the season against Essex at Hull.

Leyland took five hours to score his 213 and hit 2 sixers and 25 fours.

He gave four changes after reaching his century. In partnership with Smith he added 139 runs in 90 minutes for the second wicket, while his association with Townsend was productive of even brisker scoring, 126 runs being knocked up in 50 minutes.

Leyland's innings was all the more meritorious in that he came in after Yorkshire had made a disastrous start having lost Stuttiford and Barber for only three runs.

K. C. JAMES, the New Zealand wicketkeeper, playing for Northamptonshire for the first time, saved his county from a collapse. Five Northampton wickets were down for 86, but James led a recovery and the total reached 234.

Six batsmen were out for 108 when James went in, but he revealed the utmost confidence against Lancashire's keen bowling. Batting faultlessly for two hours, 10 minutes, he scored 88 out of 136. James combined judicious defence with hard driving, and hit 10 4's. When attempting a sharp single off a stroke by Clark, James had his wicket smartly thrown down by Paynter.

#### WENSLEY FIT AGAIN

CENTURIES by H. Parks and Wensley were features at Cambridge, where Sussex displayed much of the freedom that made them such a delightful side to watch three or four seasons ago, gained a first Innings lead of 190 over the University.

Starting the day 76 behind, with half their wickets in hand, the county's total reached 295.

Parks, a consistent batsman last season, often batted lighthearted and scored freely with powerful off-drives. He made his century in just over two and a half hours, and although he should have been caught at cover-point when 107, he made no mistake until run-out by Jahanir Khan.

Batting for four and a quarter hours, Parks hit two fives and twelve fours. Tate, who swung his bat freely, supported him splendidly in a sixth-wicket partnership that put on 83.

Out of the side for some time last year owing to internal trouble, Wensley appeared thoroughly fit again. He drove well on both sides of the wicket and scored his 106 runs after an early escape, at the rate of one a minute.

#### C.R.C. SHOULD BEAT U.S.R.C. IN "A" DIVISION

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Goldman and Mrs. Wilson made their first appearance together and it was this fact which made perfect cohesion impossible. Mrs. Wilson was, however, sadly off form and very rarely lasted the baseline rallies before sending the ball into the net.

#### Good Overhead

Mrs. Chiu has improved, but ruined several scoring chances by lobbing for Goldman to make numerous overhand kills. Tsui Wai-pui was his steady self, his very fast first service being his main scoring stroke, while he was deadly overhead and brought off several remarkable kills.

There was no doubt, however, that the Chinese would have won in the end and the replaying of this match at some future date will give the U.S.R.C. a better chance, as they will once again be reinforced by Mrs. Kayll and Mrs. Dowling, both of whom were absent yesterday. Mrs. Kayll having strained her back during practice, while Mrs. Dowling is in hospital with a poisoned foot.

#### YACHT RACING

In a mixed classes race, held at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club yesterday, Colleen, sailed by Capt. N. Sydall, finished first, while Wigdeon (Miss H. Crawhall-Wigdeon) was second.

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## JAMAICAN'S DISCUS THROW

### OXFORD WELL BEHIND THE LEADERS

#### CAMBRIDGE MISS A. G. K. BROWN

(By Bevil Rudd)

London, May 16.

FOUR finals were decided at the White City yesterday, when the Universities Athletic Union championships were begun, and three of the winners established new records.

B. L. Prendergast (London), with his last discus throw, improved on his record last year by nearly 10ft. His distance was 144ft. 10¾in.—well in advance of the English native record, and virtually equal to the sixth man's throw (144ft. 11in.) in the 1928 Olympic Games. This is the implied standard of selection for the coming Olympiad. Prendergast, however, is a Jamaican; he was third in the discus in the last Empire Games.

In the javelin event the record went to the Czechoslovak, J. F. Klein, of Cambridge, who threw a distance of 190ft. 10¼in.—15ft. further than W. Hertzog did in 1929. Hertzog is a nephew of the South African Prime Minister, and another South African, R. E. M. Blakeway, of Oxford, yesterday beat the old record by nearly 8 ft. in securing second place to Klein.

F. G. Akister improved the hammer record to 131ft. 5¼in. This was 20ft. more than he did at the London University Sports last week when he won for Wye Agricultural College. If the long jump failed to produce a record, it was nevertheless, very close, and a quarter of an inch became a figure of fate. Until the last round, J. R. Baldwin, an Oxford Canadian, led with 21ft. 11¾in.

He bruised his heel and did not take his last jump. S. E. O. Martin, of Edinburgh, jumped precisely 22ft with his final leap, while a minute later H. T. McClinton, of Belfast, got within a quarter of an inch of that mark, thereby tying with Baldwin for second place.

London Leading

Oxford, with J. P. S. Daniell placed fourth as well in this event, are well in the running for the championship. The scores at present are London 19, Edinburgh 17, Cambridge 14, Oxford 12½. But Oxford are likely to score heavily in the three miles, one mile, both hurdle races and sprints to-day.

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## BRITISH OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

### LARGE OVERSEAS ENTRY

London, To-day. The line-ups for the Westchester Cup polo match between England and America, which will be played at Hurlingham to-morrow, are as follows:

England: H. Huges, Gerald Balding, Tyrell Martin and Humphrey Guiness.

Hanot Singh has not sufficiently recovered to play.

America: Eric Pedley, Michael Phipps, Stewart Iglesias and Winston Guest—Reuter.

YORKSHIRE'S EASY WIN

All Round Display By Smailes

London, Yesterday. Yorkshire defeated All-India by an innings and 151 at Bradford.

All India: 86 (Smailes 4 for 26) and 115 (Smailes 6 for 36).

Yorkshire: 352 (Smailes 77, Verity 96 not out, Nissar 6 for 76).

This is the second time this season that Smailes has come off with the ball in both innings of the same match. Playing against the M.C.C. in the opening match of the season, he took 5 for 63 in the first innings and followed this up with 6 for 64 in the second knock.

Although Verity has been bowling brilliantly almost in every match so far, his 96 not out is his highest score for the current season.

### TO-DAY'S BOWLS PROGRAMME

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of the most prominent players in the Craignowen Cricket Club, will meet A. M. Holland, of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and a former Colony champion. The odds are slightly in favour of the latter, though Bassa, by reason of his steadiness, might pull the game round in his favour.

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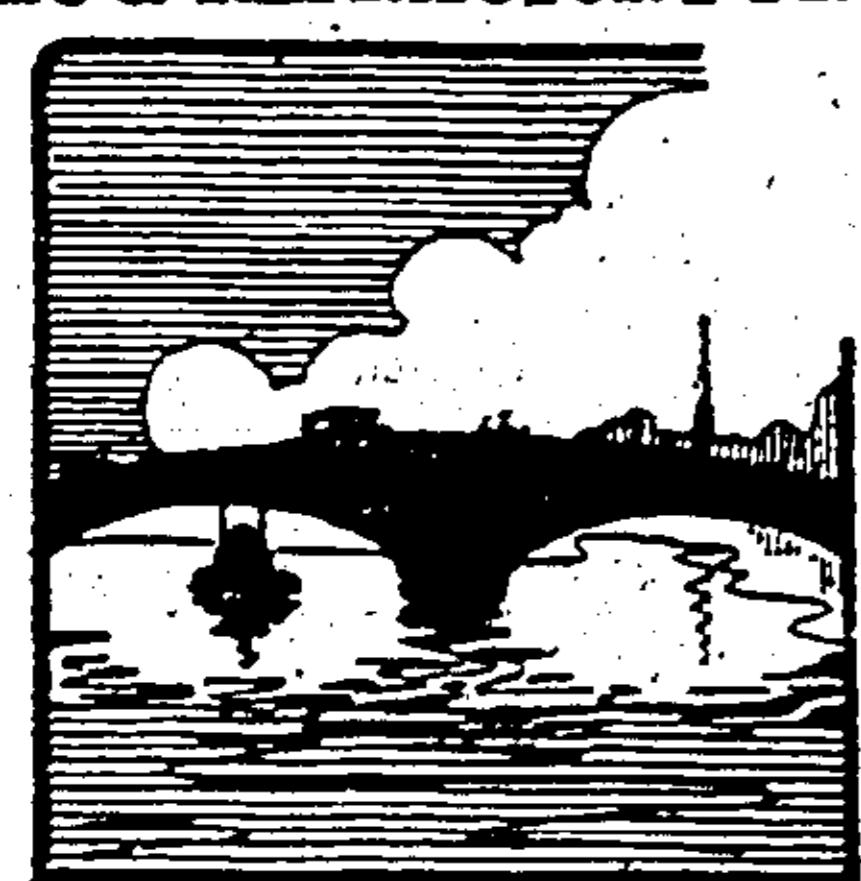
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**"Haves" And  
"Have-Nots"**

One of the truest of platitudes is the remark that history repeats itself. When nations grow they seek territorial expansion, much as we are told of the Helvetti of old: *Pro multitudine autem hominum et pro gloria bellii atque fortitudine angustus se fines habere arbitrabatur.* In view of the abundance of their population, their military renown and their valour, they considered that their territory was too narrow, and this is now the view of Germany, Italy and Japan. At present the position is that Great Britain and France are the *beati possidentes*, while Germany and Italy are as *Helvetia* was in Caesar's time. The problem is familiar to all the statesmen and peoples of the world; what is not too easy to determine is the best method of combating it.

It is obvious that the only way to remove the unrest is to eradicate the causes underlying it, but this is not such a simple matter, as some people would have us believe. Sir Arthur Salter and Lord Lothian propose that the mandate system should be extended. The idea is that Great Britain would put her tropical possessions at the disposal of the League of Nations, and they would be administered by mandate. Markets would be free and unrestricted access to the various products granted to all nations. It all sounds very nice and simple, but it is obvious that this policy presumes two very important things: first, that everybody else with colonial possessions does the same; and second, that the rights and privileges of the colonial peoples concerned are not jeopardised in any way. There is a third point which also must be taken into consideration. Suppose, for purposes of argument, that some pooling of territories could be secured in this fashion. The next step would be redistribution according to the individual needs of the "have-nots." And what then? Is there the slightest guarantee that once their legitimate demands were satisfied the "have-nots" concerned would sit back satisfied, and implement the new order in peace and harmony? Is it not much more likely that, having secured a little in a way which is all too easy and aboveboard, their appetites will be whetted to ask for still more and more, until a similarly dangerous situation arises? There are, in fact, ample opportunities for blackmail in this apparently simple solution of a confused problem.

A recent cartoon in the *Evening Standard* depicted an aggressive Hitler standing with arms akimbo, fronting a shrinking group of the statesmen of Europe, asking: "How much will you give me not to kick you in the pants for say twenty-five years?" It is idle to attempt to pretend that this does not, in fact, exactly mirror the attitude of the dictator-led countries in the present day; and that attitude is only likely to be hardened once it is demonstrated that in face of a threat of disturbance of the peace the rest of the world will be only too glad to make concessions.

It should also be remembered that this thirst for territories is not always based purely on a need for access to raw materials. The question of national prestige comes into it very strongly also. Italy's Abyssinian adventure was not advised to do.

**"CHARLIE'S" OLD  
SCHOOL**

**Making Way For  
Housing Estate**

**SCENES FROM "THE KID"**

After forty years' service at Cuckoo Schools, Hanwell, Mr. Henry James Holmes is retiring. And the school—where Charlie Chaplin was once a pupil—is to make way for an L.C.C. housing estate.

Mr. Holmes remembers Charlie. "He was here for four years," he said, "while his mother was ill in Southwark Hospital. His brother Sydney was here for 11 months, but joined the training ship Exmouth."

"Charlie's film, 'The Kid,' must have been based on his life here. I recognised several scenes and situations."

**Discovery Of Thomas Lost**

The schools were named after the bird, and not the hill of the same name in the neighbourhood. "A cuckoo has no nest; nor had most of the children who came here," Mr. Holmes explained.

"There was a time when abandoned babies were appropriately named. For instance, Molly Black was found in a coal cellar. Thomas Lost was discovered in Hyde Park at the time of the Exhibition in 1851, and is still alive; and George Britton was wrapped in a shawl in Little Britton-street, near St. Paul's Cathedral."

Soon, only the central block of the school, and the "Garden of Remembrance," dedicated to boys who fell in the Great War, will remain.

Every week many old pupils revisit the place, and hundreds of letters come from all parts of the world to Mr. Holmes.

A popular orchestra that regularly broadcasts is composed chiefly of boys from this school.

**EXPLANATION  
OF TO-DAY'S  
CARTOON**

**THE HERALDIC  
PUZZLE**

THE coat of arms of the city of Sevilla, Spain, is a rebus granted by King Alfonso the Learned in recognition of its loyalty in the 13th century. It consists of the words "NO" and "DO" separated by a twist of yarn, called "madeja" in Spanish. The solution is the phrase "NO m'a dejado DO". (She has not forsaken me.) The King was a lover of this form of wit. Now the "madeja" has long been the emblem of loyalty of Sevilla and appears on public buildings, uniforms, decorations and jewelry.

wholly undertaken for the purpose of securing access to raw materials. There was very largely behind it the desire to wipe out the defeat of Adowa and to secure a Roman Imperium — something which would revive the glories of the old Caesarian days and pander to that megalomania to which the Duce has undoubtedly led the Italian nation. Countries desire colonies for glory as well as profit. Britain and France have great possessions overseas; why should Germany, Italy and Japan be without them?

It is manifestly absurd to suppose that Great Britain will consent to surrender her tropical possessions to the League of Nations while France, Spain, Holland, Portugal, and others retain similar possessions. Equally absurd is it to suggest that we should throw open our tropical Colonies to the trade of all and sundry, while every other Power, in a similar position excludes us and every other country from its colonial markets. It is just possible that if we consented to make trade concessions, on condition that all others did the same, the tension would be relieved slightly. But in the first place, it is very unlikely that we could win assent to such proposals, and in the second, they would not satisfy the ambitions of Italy, Germany or Japan. We are thus left with a dangerous situation, and there does not seem to be a remedy. There is scope here for some serious thinking, which the statesmen of the world would be well advised to do.

**Here  
There  
and  
Everywhere.**

HILBERTY v. HEALY (and Others)

Mr. Justice Hilberty and Mr. Maurice Healy, K.C., formed an ideal team of after-dinner speakers when they replied for the guests at the Wine Trade Benevolent banquet, at which Mr. William Byass, the G.O.M. of the wine trade, took the chair.

Sir Malcolm Hilberty remarked that this was the first occasion upon which a judge had been "led" by a King's Counsel.

Mr. Healy, who is an authority on claret, replied that the difference between them was that whereas Sir Malcolm represented drinking on the bench, he represented drinking at the bar.

Sir Malcolm gracefully compared Mr. Healy with a K.C. that defended a client who nevertheless went to prison.

On his release the prisoner said: "I've been wanting to meet you again, Sir, because I think it is only right that you should know that you are very highly thought of in Wormwood Scrubs."

**Your Daily Smile!**

Rain to Him  
Teacher: "Where does the Rhine flow?"

Cockney Pupil: "Down the drain, sir."

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Remote Cousin  
At the wedding anniversary of a Scottish magnate, one of the guests, noticing a somewhat lonely looking and rather shabby attired man in a corner, walked over and sat beside him.

"I was introduced to you, but I did not catch your name," he said.

"My name," replied the other, "is Black."

"Oh, then you are a relative of our host?"

"Yes," rejoined the poor relation. "I'm a cousin \$50,000 removed."

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Typographical Error  
The typographical error is a slippery thing and says,

You can hunt till you are dizzy, but it somehow will get by.

Till the forms are off the presses it is strange how still it keeps;

It shrinks down into a corner and it never stirs or peeps,

That typographical error, too small for human eyes,

Till the ink is on the paper—when it grows to mountain size.

The boss he stares with horror, then he grabs his hair and groans;

The copy reader drops his head upon his hands and moans—

The remainder of the issue may be clear as clean can be,

But that typographical error is the only thing you see.

**A HOPELESS RACE  
WITH TIME**

**HAILE SELASSIE'S WORK  
FOR HIS EMPIRE**

**GIGANTIC TASKS FACED WITH  
COURAGE AND SKILL**

THE Emperor of Abyssinia has administrator, but he believed he had beaten in a hopeless race with time. The man who to-day shares the fate of Napoleon and the Kaiser tried in a few short years to bridge the gap of history between King Alfred and President Roosevelt. If he gets a rest now, it will be the first time he has done since he started his public career at the age of 15.

Time moves fast with men in Africa, and the little man who tried single-handed to lift an Empire from barbarism to civilisation bears the weight of all his 45 years.

Fighting for his own hand, he was making his way against the church, the rulers and even the habits of his own country, but his race for civilisation has been lost to the barbarism of poison-gas.

No one will blame him if he throws in his hand to fate and becomes an Emperor Emeritus, living a life of civilisation and abandoning such practices as eating raw meat.

No Resort To Violence  
The little hero is no girl's school ideal. Drawing-room methods would have meant an end of him and the chance for Abyssinia many years ago. He would have been where his early opponents went, dead in chains or hanged on a public tree.

But the slight man with the noble head, soulful eyes, and delicate, thin hands, is no blood-thirsty ruffian. He has never resorted to violence when he could avoid it, because it was his fixed ambition to rise above the era of violence. He even went slowly and circuitously about his schemes of modernisation, and the fate of Amalullah, murdered by the Afghan natives he tried to civilise overnight, showed that he was at any rate wise in his own generation. Only Kemal Pasha in Turkey has succeeded in anything like his gigantic task. His father was a local Governor, a nephew of Menelik and as fierce a fighter as he was Negus Negusi, King of the Kings.

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**"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley**



## LAUGHTON IN PARIS APPLAUSED BY CRITICS AND PUBLIC

Great Reception At Comedie Francaise

FIRST ENGLISHMAN TO PLAY AT HOME OF MOLIERE

An ultra-fashionable audience, including the President of the Republic, rose in the Comedie Francaise, France's National Theatre, at 4 a.m. on May 9, and cheered Charles Laughton in the second act of Moliere's "Le Medecin Malgre Lui."

Time and again the curtain rose and fell, but the applause went on while the first Englishman ever to act on this classic stage smiled nervously, shaking his head.

### Fine Performance

The performance, however, was a tour de force.

Laughton's acting had a kind of Anglo-Saxon robustness and humour which compared strangely with the polished, traditional French acting.

He had a freeness of style which contrasted with the French mathematical tradition.

As for accent, Laughton's was a strange mixture—very slightly English, and unidentifiable French Provincial.

It was his intonation which betrayed him a few times into giving a curious twist to Moliere's lines, but that can be forgotten in what will remain a memorable performance.

### No Trace Of Fright

Although he said before his appearance that he was suffering tortures from stage fright, he showed no traces of nervousness when he walked on to the stage.

### MONKEY HAS EXCITING DAY IN GENERAL STORE

Endless Pursuers Till Evening

A monkey got into Messrs. John Little's store in Kuala Lumpur early one Sunday morning recently and amused itself by throwing cigarette tins about the building. The presence of the visitor was discovered by the watchman, who quickly informed the manager of the store. The members of the Fire Brigade joined in the chase, but the monkey showed contempt for its pursuers. It was captured by the watchman and his friends in the evening.

### BUTTONHOLES FOR KING'S BIRTHDAY

His Majesty Agrees To Proposal

Plans are being made for celebrating the King's birthday on June 23 by the general wearing of buttonholes.

King Edward, whose interest in gardening is well known, is understood to have approved the idea, and the only difficulty is the creation of an organisation large enough to make the celebration effective.

The committee of the London Gardens Society met to discuss ways and means for popularising the idea.

### PLAN THAT "WENT BANG"

Thieves Who Scared Themselves

Would-be thieves entered the premises of the Express Dairy Company, Gower-place, London, W.C.

They put explosives under the safe, attached a fuse, and lighted it.

The explosion was much greater than they had expected. It scared them, and they ran off, giving up all idea of robbing the safe.

It is thought the visitors were youths. They certainly were not expert safe-breakers.



Amelia Earhart (Mrs. Putnam) the only woman to fly solo across the Atlantic and the Pacific, recently lectured a Senate committee on the relative importance of pilots and aids to flying.

## SAFETY OF FLYING

### ONCE CHIEF FILM EXECUTIVE

Hoax That Cost Him His Position

JAMES V. BRYSON LEAVES ONLY £140 AT DEATH

Mr. James V. Bryson, for 10 years head of the Universal Picture Corporation in England, left only £140. Before his dismissal by Universal he was one of the most prominent figures in the British film industry, with a salary of nearly £8,000 a year.

He first became known to the general public through a hoax designed to advertise "The Phantom of the Opera." Territorial officer was induced to provide a military escort for the picture in the belief that it was meant to assist recruiting. There was a storm of indignation when the trick was discovered, and the picture was banned.

When in 1933 Mr. Bryson was dismissed he sued for wrongful dismissal, but the High Court's verdict, with costs, went against him.

An attempt to establish a hot sausage service in London failed, and when he died last year, at the age of 52, after an accident, he was back in the film trade as a distributor.

### £20,000 FOR LORD BADEN-POWELL

60 Years' Friendship  
FIRST COMMANDING OFFICER OF CHIEF SCOUT

A friendship of 60 years lies behind bequests of £20,000 to Lord Baden-Powell, the 79-year-old Chief Scout, and £5,000 to Lady Baden-Powell, under the will of Col. John Kinder Spilling, of Windlesham, Surrey.

Col. Spilling, who died in March, aged 87, left £371,431.

Lord Baden-Powell received the news at sea, between Durban and Cape Town, on the way to England.

The association between Col. Spilling and Lord Baden-Powell began 60 years ago, when at the age of 19 the latter joined the 13th Hussars. Col. Spilling was his commanding officer.

Lord Baden-Powell became adjutant to the colonel and they served together in South Africa, India, and Afghanistan.

Colonel Spilling lived the life of a recluse, and was rarely seen except when he exercised his dogs on the golf course near his house.

In spite of his close friendship with Lord Baden-Powell he never showed any interest in the local institution, had found her elsewhere.

Mr. T. R. Lavers, an Army pen-

### SENATORS REBUKED IMPORTANCE OF BEACONS OVERRATED

Pilots And Machines Rank Higher

AMELIA EARHART'S STRIKING TESTIMONY

Washington.—Amelia Earhart, pioneer woman flier, took a Senate committee to task recently for giving the country a wrong impression of the part beacons, radio and other airway aids play in the safety of aviation.

"As I remember it," Miss Earhart observed, "there were no aids over the Atlantic, nor did I see any lights over the Pacific. There was one beacon on the nonstop flight from Los Angeles to Mexico City, but pilots have to wire ahead to have it turned on."

**Life Blood Of Industry**

In a polite way, Miss Earhart accused the committee of listening too much to the plea of large transport company officials that recent major air crashes have been due to the lack of adequate airway aids.

"I hope the humble inventors have had a chance to say a word about their dreams for the future, because to me they represent the life-blood of the industry," she said.

"I hope you have talked to the pilots and operating personnel. I hope you have dragged from their musty laboratories the professors and engineers who are looking further ahead than many, so as to get the whole scope of the problem."

"I hope," she went on, "that aviation hasn't appeared before you as too grown-up an industry and you realise that the criticisms and jealousies created before you are the results of adolescence."

Commanding recent steps taken by the Bureau of Air Commerce to increase the safety of planes themselves. Miss Earhart said that even the development of a plane that could be slowed down in the air would mean an enormous advance in safety.

## HIGH PRICES FOR ANCIENT MANUSCRIPTS

Old Christmas Play Of 1553

"RESPUBLICA" BOUGHT FOR AMERICA AT £820

Although a 1450 manuscript on the advantages of sea-power, written by a militant Bishop of Chester fetched £510 (Maggie) at Sotheby's recently, the honours of the sale were taken by an old Christmas play in manuscript. This play, "Respublica," was written in 1553, the year Mary Tudor came to the throne, and 11 years before Shakespeare was born.

This "interlude" caused keen bidding, and in the end Mr. Rham, acting for Dr. Rosenbaum, won it at £820. It is held that this play might have been written by Nicolas Udall, of "Ralph Roister Doister" renown. Certain it is that it is the only known manuscript of a play clearly written from the Catholic standpoint in the religious controversy of the period.

The idea of the interlude is that Respublica (the realm of England) has been laid waste byavarice, Flattery, Oppression and Insolence. In the end the Virtues call an innings and Nemesis calls the score.

A century ago this and other rare manuscripts were bought for a very few pounds by Mr. Hudson Gurney, of Norwich, but there was a different tale to tell at Sotheby's.

For example, the only known manuscript (circa 1450) of the three old Morality Plays, "Man-kind," "Wisdom," and the "Castle of Perseverance," known to scholars as the "Macro Plays" (because they belonged originally to Dr. Cox Macro, the Norfolk antiquary), realised £440 (Quaritch). In the play "Wisdom" there is a scene in which Lucifer, spying the audience, snatches up "a shrewd boy" and carries him off. This was doubtless a terrifying moment in the old days.

### WONDERS OF THE DEEP

Aquarium At Coming Exhibition

### ELABORATE PLANS

Butterfly-fish and sea-horses from the depths of the South Atlantic and the Indian Ocean are among the latest marvels to be secured for display in their living state at South Africa's mighty Empire Exhibition.

Capt. Svea Eriksson reported an uneventful trip, except during the second week when the yacht encountered the same severe weather that disabled two large steamers in mid-Atlantic.

Under direction, Capt. Eriksson reported, the Yankee made a very satisfactory showing, although she was able to make but little headway till the violence of the gale had spent itself. She made her best day's run 24 hours before she arrived at Boston, logging 270 nautical miles.

The Yankee has gone to Lawley's Yard to fit out for the 1936 racing season.

### BILL TO PREVENT AUCTION ABUSES

### Unqualified Experts?

Sir Reginald Clarry, Conservative M.P. for Newport, introduced into the House of Commons recently a bill which is described by its backers as a measure to protect the public against mock auctions and malpractices by persons who, merely by taking out a licence, are able to represent themselves as auctioneers or house agents.

The bill is entitled "The Auctioneers and House Agents (Protection of Public Against Abuses) Bill." It is claimed that the proposals are founded in the main on the recommendations of a Select Committee. They provide for some supervision and control over many thousands of unqualified practitioners.

Members backing the bill include Sir George Jones, Mr. A. E. Herbert, Cmdr. Bower, Mr. H. G. Williams, Mr. R. Robinson, and Mr. T. Levy.

The writer's name was not disclosed, the publicity resulted in scores of letters being received from prospective bidders. Widows whose ages ranged from 70 to 80 wrote from London, Cardiff, Birmingham, Carlisle, Reading, Surrey, and Buckinghamshire.

### SIAM WILL NOT RECOGNISE NUDIST SOCIETIES

No Registration Of Sunbathing Associations

#### Bangkok.

The Police have declined to allow registration of the Sunbathing Societies on the ground that the weather conditions in Siam are not the same as in foreign countries. Moreover, sunbathing is deemed against Siamese customs.

The promoters are appealing against this decision. They state they have a tentative membership of 1,700 persons anxious to participate in their sunbathing programme.

## POPE'S NEW RULES FOR PILGRIMAGES

### No Tourist Element

#### Vatican City.

On the Pope's instructions strict regulations have been issued for the reorganisation of pilgrimages to Rome and all important sanctuaries.

There has lately been a tendency for travel agencies to arrange pilgrimages of a semi-tourist character. This is now forbidden. In future all Roman Catholic pilgrimages must be under the direct control of the ecclesiastical authorities.

If laymen are employed to act as guides they must be of recognised piety. Each pilgrimage must be accompanied by at least one priest. The cost of travel and lodgings must be reduced.

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Capon, Small ..	" 47 28	" 30 22
Large ..	" 50 28	" 30 22
Duck .....	" 35 22	" 25 20
Doves .....	each 30 22	" 25 20
Eggs, Hen (cooked)	per doz. 30 18	" 36 26
Egg, Hen (fresh) .....	Ib. 42 35	Bullock's Brains .....
Poul., Hahn .....	" 30 22	per set 17 10
Canton .....	" 34 24	Tongue, fresh .....
Geese .....	" 32 23	" corned .....
Pigeons, Canton .....	each 44 30	" Head .....
Hawk .....	" 28 20	" Heart .....
Turkeys, Cock .....	Ib. 50 36	" Hump, Salt .....
Hen .....	" 68 61	" Feet .....
each 20 12	" 25 20	" Kidneys .....
part 1.70 2.20	" 20 12	" Tail .....
each .....	" 10 8	" Liver .....
Pheasant .....	Ib. 1.70 2.20	" Trine .....
Gall .....	each .....	" Calves' Head .....
Partridge .....	each .....	" Feet .....
<b>FRUITS.</b>		
Almonds .....	Ib. 90 25	Ib. 44 22
Lemons, China .....	" 18 12	" 40 26
Bananas (Bride's) .....	" 6 4	" 44 27
Carrots .....	Ib. 12 16	" 25 15
Coconuts .....	Ib. 34 24	" 34 22
Apples (California) .....	Ib. 12 10	" 25 15
Lemons, American .....	Ib. 12 10	" 15 10
Liches, Dried .....	Ib. 1.20 25	" 12 10
Oranges (Canton) .....	Ib. 40 30	" 12 10
Oranges (Sweet) .....	Ib. 10 10	" 30 20
Pear (		



## SUPREME COURT CLAIM

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the manager to whom he presented a bill of exchange for Rs. 29,000, together with other documents concerned in the matter. Mr. Ross says that he glanced at the documents, after which they were passed to Mr. Swales, who was then in charge of the Bills Department, and as the documents were found to be in order, the money was paid over.

On July 21, Chang again went to the bank to obtain the balance of the money. The bales, Mr. Sheldon continued, were duly shipped and they arrived in Bombay in August 11, when plaintiffs were concerned to find that the bales did not contain raw silk but cotton waste. Subsequently it was found that Mr. Chang and the firm had disappeared altogether, and that the whole thing was a fraud from its very inception.

"We say that the evidence will show that the bales were not carried to Hong Kong by river steamer," said Mr. Sheldon, "as was stated in the documents. We say that because we have evidence that there were two documents, one the advice of shipment, and the other the mate's receipt. We have these documents, and in a case like this all relevant documents have to be disclosed, so that each party knows what the case would be."

### No Proof

"The defendants have not disclosed a scrap of paper to show how this cargo ever came to be in the ship, and our submission is that there is strong suspicion that the cargo came down, not by river steamer but by some other method. If there is evidence that the cargo did come down by river steamer, then there is the end of the case and I have nothing more to say; but on the other hand, if the Bank had known that the cargo did not come down by river steamer, they would not have negotiated the bill and the money would not have been paid."

"Mr. J. B. Ross in his evidence says that he has never heard of a case where silk had been shipped by any vessel other than a river steamer, and both he and Mr. Swales will say that the Bank would not have negotiated the bills if the cargo had not been sent down by river steamer."

"When you have heard this evidence I will ask you to find that the cargo in fact was not carried down by river steamer, and that the initial carrier was a river steamer was stated in the bill of lading by the defendants recklessly and carelessly, without knowing whether it came down by river steamer at all."

"There is no allegation," Mr. Sheldon concluded, "that the defendants deliberately stated anything which they knew to be untrue."

### Bank Officer's Evidence

In the witness box Mr. J. R. Swales, accountant of the Mercantile Bank, said that on July 11, 1934, he saw a certain Mr. S. E. Chang in the bank and he received from this gentleman certain shipping documents, including a bill of lading in duplicate.

Witness said that he examined the documents very carefully and compared the conditions with the credit that was opened. He then went to the shipping company to ascertain that the documents were in order, and having satisfied himself on that point, he returned to the bank. Witness said that he was very careful with every document, as they did not want to negotiate the bills if they could help it, having heard that the firm that drew the bill was not very reliable.

Mr. D'Almada: Were you satisfied that the initial carrier was a customary one?—Yes.

As a result of your investigation, you made a report to Mr. Ross and the bills were negotiated?—Yes.

Supposing, Mr. Swales, the initial carrier had been filled in as "junk," would you have negotiated the bill?—No.

Why?—Because I would have

## COLONEL EDWARD GREEN PASSES

Lake Placid, N.Y., To-day.—The death has occurred of Colonel Edward H. R. Green, a director of several banking and industrial companies and the son of Hetty Green, the famous woman financier. Reuter.



Members of the Union of German Girls, a youth organization, during a choir rehearsal.

### ONLY A DOG'S LIFE Ran From Lethal Chamber But Returned Home

*Southend.* A woman living at Fawcett, Essex, unable to pay the licence for her dog, took it to Southend to be destroyed.

The dog broke away from her in Southend and was lost.

The next day the animal turned up in his kennel, having found his way home after walking 11 miles.

His mistress has decided to keep the dog and make any sacrifice in order to pay for the licence.

considered that the goods would not have been under proper control in those circumstances.

**Cross-Examination**

In his cross-examination of the witness, Mr. Potter asked whether it was not true that when he went to the shipping company (Dollar Line) he only asked Mr. Arndt to verify the signature on the bill of lading. Witness answered in the affirmative.

Mr. Potter: You asked him nothing else?—I told Mr. Arndt that the documents were covering a shipment during the past two days and that the signature was Mr. Carpenter's.

If the defendants had issued a bill of lading from Hong Kong to Bombay, covering the parcels in question, you would have paid it at once, wouldn't you?—No, I would not.

Why?—Because the credit calls for shipment from Canton.

Name Not Asked

Mr. Ross said otherwise. I put it to you, with great deference, that Mr. Ross was right and you wrong—I don't think that if I had explained it to Mr. Ross he would have said it.

Did you ask Mr. Chang the name of the steamer?—No.

Why not?—I did not think of it. I put it to you that the reason why you did not do so was because it was a matter of complete indifference to you—if it had entered my mind I would have asked that question.

Although you and Mr. Ross were looking for a loophole not to negotiate the bill?—Yes.

Well, you missed the loophole, then?—No, because if the name was not mentioned, it did not necessarily mean we would refuse the bill.

This concluded Mr. Potter's cross-examination, and in re-examining witness, Mr. D'Almada asked:

You are under no liability if you refuse to negotiate a bill, are you, Mr. Swales?—No.

The case is proceeding.

### A FALSE ALARM

Policemen, with two flying squad cars in attendance, recently formed a cordon round Lambeth Town Hall, Brixton, following a report that three men had been seen trying to enter the building. It was discovered that it had been a false alarm.

### 100,000 YOUNG VISITORS

Nearly 100,000 school children from all parts of England and Wales are to be taken on conducted tours of Windsor Castle this summer.

## LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The new building of St. Louis Industrial School not being completed, the Salesian Fathers wish to notify the public in general and all the friends of St. Anthony's Church that this year the celebration of their patron Saint's Day has been postponed for a few months, until the time when the new chapel is inaugurated.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia, from Manila, is due here at 6.00 a.m. to-morrow, and will berth at the Kowloon Wharf.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.13 inch. The total since January 1 has been 22.09 inches against an average of 27.16 inches.

A small crowd gathered at Kai Tak aerodrome yesterday morning to see the two Filipino aviators, F. Arnaiz and J. Calvo, take off for Hanoi, on the second leg of their flight in the monoplane Commonwealth of the Philippines from Manila to Madrid. The fliers expected to arrive at Hanoi about 5 p.m. yesterday and were to stay the night there before taking off again for Penang. From there they will fly to Calcutta. They are taking 600 letters from Hong Kong to Madrid.

Lo So was this morning fined \$2,000, in default eight months hard labour, for possession of 180 taels of opium by Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning.

**MR. NGAN RETURNS TO COLONY**

According to Original Plans

Mr. Ngan Shing Kwan, managing director of the China Motor Bus Company, returned to the Colony last night by the s.s. Scharnhorst.

When Mr. Ngan was interviewed by the *China Mail* this morning, he said that he did not know anything about the rumour, which was circulating last week, that the Bus Company had sent him a cable, urging his return, because the situation created by the reduction of fares by the Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd.

Mr. Ngan concluded by saying that he had returned "according to his original plans" but he did not know how long he was staying here before rejoining the Chinese Olympic team, as that would depend on how things go."

**COMMERCIAL EXAMINATION**

The Chun-Shing Institute of Commerce will hold its 8th Term Commercial Examination at the Institute No. 2, Glenealy, on Monday next, from 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Another examination for other special subjects will take place at the beginning of next month.

**LOCAL ESTATE**

The late Mr. Maurice Alfred Cooper, formerly of 7 Macdonnell Road, lecturer at the Hong Kong University, who died at the Victoria Hospital on April 1, 1936, left local estate to the value of \$23,500. Letters of administration to the estate have been granted to Mr. H. J. Armstrong, solicitor, the lawful attorney.

## FLAT MURDER CHARGE

### Aircraftsman For Trial

#### ALLEGED CONFESION

Aircraftsman Frederick Herbert Field, aged 32, was at South-Western Police Court last month committed for trial charged with murdering Mrs. Beatrice Vilna Sutton by strangling her at her flat in Clapham on the night of April 4.

Field pleaded not guilty and reserved his defense.

Det.-Insp. Samuel Brown gave evidence of arresting Field on a charge of stealing four cheques from a cheque book. When taking him to Hendon Police Station he (the inspector) told Field that he understood he knew something about the woman found dead at Clapham. Inspector Brown added:

"I Did It"

"Field replied, 'Yes I did it. I know all about it. I was fed up, being short of money, so I decided to get hold of what dough' I could, and have a decent time for as long as I could, and then do myself in. But when it came to the time I hadn't got the guts, so I thought I would stick myself in a position where somebody else would have to do it. I went into her place about 11.30 p.m.'

An officer from Hendon R.A.F. station gave evidence that Field's pay was reduced by stoppages to about 5s. 6d. a week. There was a compulsory allowance to his wife, with whom he was not living.

Field will take his trial at the next session of the Central Criminal Court.

## EVERYDAY DIET DANGERS

### Mysteries Of Food Poisoning

#### REACTIONS OF VARIOUS PEOPLE

"Fort Allergy," or the mysterious illnesses caused to certain people by various foods, is dealt with by Dr. A. M. Kennedy, Professor of Medicine in the University of Wales, in an article in the *British Medical Journal*.

He states that common knowledge that many people are unable to eat shell-fish—oysters, lobsters, &c.—without more or less serious symptoms resulting—an urticarial rash, sometimes vomiting and other manifestations. He adds:

"Mushrooms, and even strawberries, are also known to produce similar upsets in certain cases, but it is much less well known that a great many foods—and the quite common, everyday foods, too—may produce widely varying, and more or less serious, illnesses in susceptible people. Further, the number of food-sensitive people in the general population is probably much larger than has hitherto been commonly suspected."

**Surprising But True**

"It is surprising, but true, that the foods most frequently causing allergic reactions are the common, everyday ones—eggs, milk, wheat, potatoes. Next in frequency come chocolate, cabbage, tomatoes, oranges, cauliflower, strawberries, bananas, walnuts, carrots and pork."

"Among those least likely to cause trouble are poultry, turnips, pass, beans, prunes, honey, beetroot, radishes, asparagus, mushrooms, plums, pepper, vinegar and tea. Intermediate in frequency are salmon, oysters, lobsters, crabs, shrimps, rice, lettuce, peaches, grapes, cherries, raisins, figs, lemons, almonds, beef, lamb, mustard and coffee. There are many others."

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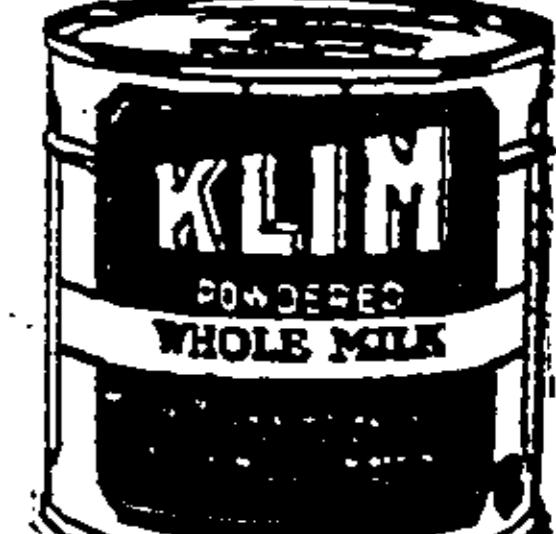
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"Among those least likely to cause trouble are poultry, turnips, beans, prunes, honey, beetroot, radishes, asparagus, mushrooms, plums, pepper, vinegar and tea. Intermediate in frequency are salmon, oysters, lobsters, crabs, shrimps, rice, lettuce, peaches, grapes, cherries, raisins, figs, lemons, almonds, beef, lamb, mustard and coffee. There are many others."

Royal Marines Were Bad

Capt. Lionel Dawson, R.N., relates in his latest book, "Gone for a Sailor," a story of the Royal Marines which will appeal to all who are aware of the pride the "soldier-sailors" take in their corps and its glorious traditions, says *The Syren*.

When the late King was laid low by his first serious illness Queen Mary attended the Royal Tournament in his place. During the Royal visit a young Marine in the King's squad of recruits, who were giving an exhibition of drill

in the arena, dropped his rifle.

The sergeant-major of the detachment — to whom such an offence was second only to murder — addressed the crestfallen recruits after they had left the arena.

"Now you men know that His Majesty is on the sick list and 'er

Majesty 'as come to see you and the rest of this 'ere tournament

for 'im. She'll go 'ome this evening and 'is Majesty will say:

"Well, Mary, and 'ow was My Boy

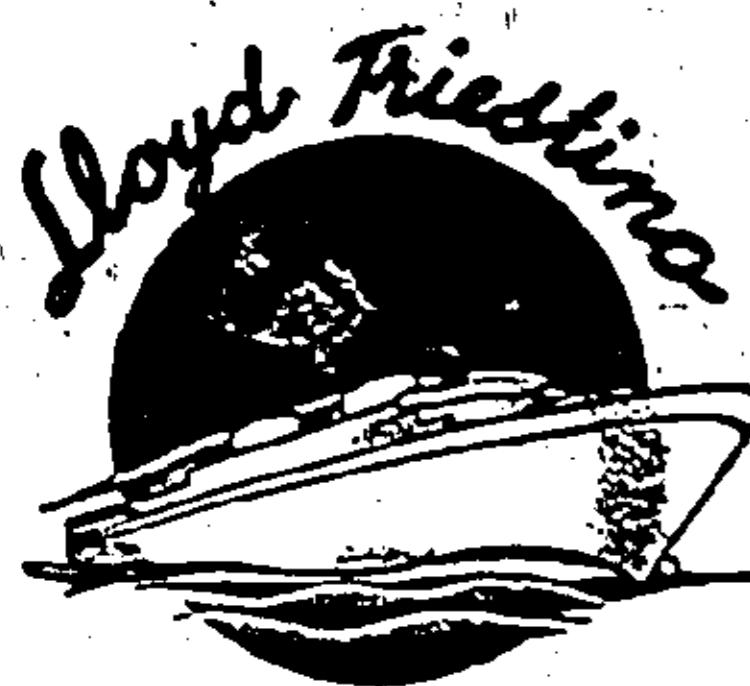
Marines?" Bloody, George,

she'll tell 'im—and bloody you

was Detachment, Dismas."

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## WOMAN PICKS UP SHIP'S S.O.S.

## Last Message From Lost Crew

## WRECK ENQUIRY STATEMENT

At the enquiry at Sunderland last month into the loss of the Newcastle steamer Sheafbrook, it was disclosed that the vessel's S.O.S. was heard by a woman while tuning-in to a broadcast.

The Sheafbrook, 2,179 tons, was lost with her crew of 20 in the North Sea on November 20, while on a voyage to Hamburg with coal. She sailed from Jarrow on the night of November 19.

At 9.15 p.m. on November 20 a wireless message was picked up accidentally by a Mrs. Scott while tuning in to Newcastle Broadcasting Station.

The message was in Morse, but, having been a telegraphist, she was able to understand it. It read:

"S O S Sheafbrook. Position 110 miles E.S.E. of Tyne. Engines flooded. Require assistance. Dangerous list to port."

Mrs. Scott, was working on a wave-length of 267 metres, and the message ordinarily would have been sent out on length of about 600 metres.

Wave-length Changed A possible explanation put forward by the Post Office was that part of the ship's aerial might have been carried away, automatically changing the wavelength.

The S.O.S. was received later by other vessels. One of these, the Sheafwater, a sister ship, went to the position given.

She sighted three rockets, and later saw an upturned boat, staved in, but was unable to recover it in the rough sea. It was painted black, like the Sheafbrook's boats.

Henry Steel, Board of Trade ship surveyor, said that the Sheafbrook had an average stability. He thought it most likely that a permanent list to port would be caused by the cargo shifting.

Director's Evidence William Alfred Souter, director of Sheaf Shipping Company, Newcastle, said that the company owned four other self-trimming colliers besides Sheafbrook. They

RAS TAFARI

Ras Tafari was now, at 28, with a lifetime of plotting, fighting, and study of his European models behind him, an Emperor without an Empire.

When he had visited Europe six years before, he had brought Ras with him, but that was merely because he dared not leave them behind.

He alone in Abyssinia believed in civilisation. He had to bear of the dismantling of her

advisers, no officials, no vessel and immediately put a stop machine for bringing order to it.

A report was made to the modern methods to a country police and defendant was arrested which did not know the meaning of unity.

Gigantic Task Answering Mr. Herbert Bewick, representing the National Union of Seamen, Mr. Souter said that he was never told the ship had a severe list to port last year.

He suggested that all complaints by the ship's officer referred to matters which were remedied during the overhaul in November.

He had not heard of a special letter sent to his firm by the Board of Trade referring to seamen's complaints about the Sheafbrook.

He was not aware that officers were instructed to refuse to re-engage any seamen who sent these complaints to the Board.

## A MAN'S CLUB

## No Women Members Of Oxford Union

Oxford. A proposal that women undergraduates should be admitted to the Oxford Union as debating members was defeated last month by 124 votes to 97. A poll was demanded of the whole of the members of the society.

It was proposed that women should be allowed to attend debates, but not be allowed to stand as officers, to vote at elections, or use the rooms of the society.

The proposal came from Mr. Max Beloff, Corpus Christi College, a former librarian.

Mr. Donald Bell, of Magdalen College, described the motion as the thin end of the wedge, and the beginning of a move to get women admitted to full membership for which they were not fitted.

## WRONG GRAVE OPENED

## Chelmsford Funeral Delayed

When the mourners were on the way to the cemetery for the funeral last month of Mr. Oliver Braine, a tinsmith, of Molesham-street, Chelmsford, they were informed that the wrong grave in the Chelmsford borough cemetery had been opened for the interment, and the funeral would have to be delayed.

Instructions had been given to open the grave of Mr. Braine's wife who died two years ago, but the grave next to it was opened in error.

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James Cagney, June Travis and Matilda Cosmo (left) in an interlude of gaiety at Mama Gini's in "Ceiling Zero," which is now being shown at the Queen's Theatre.

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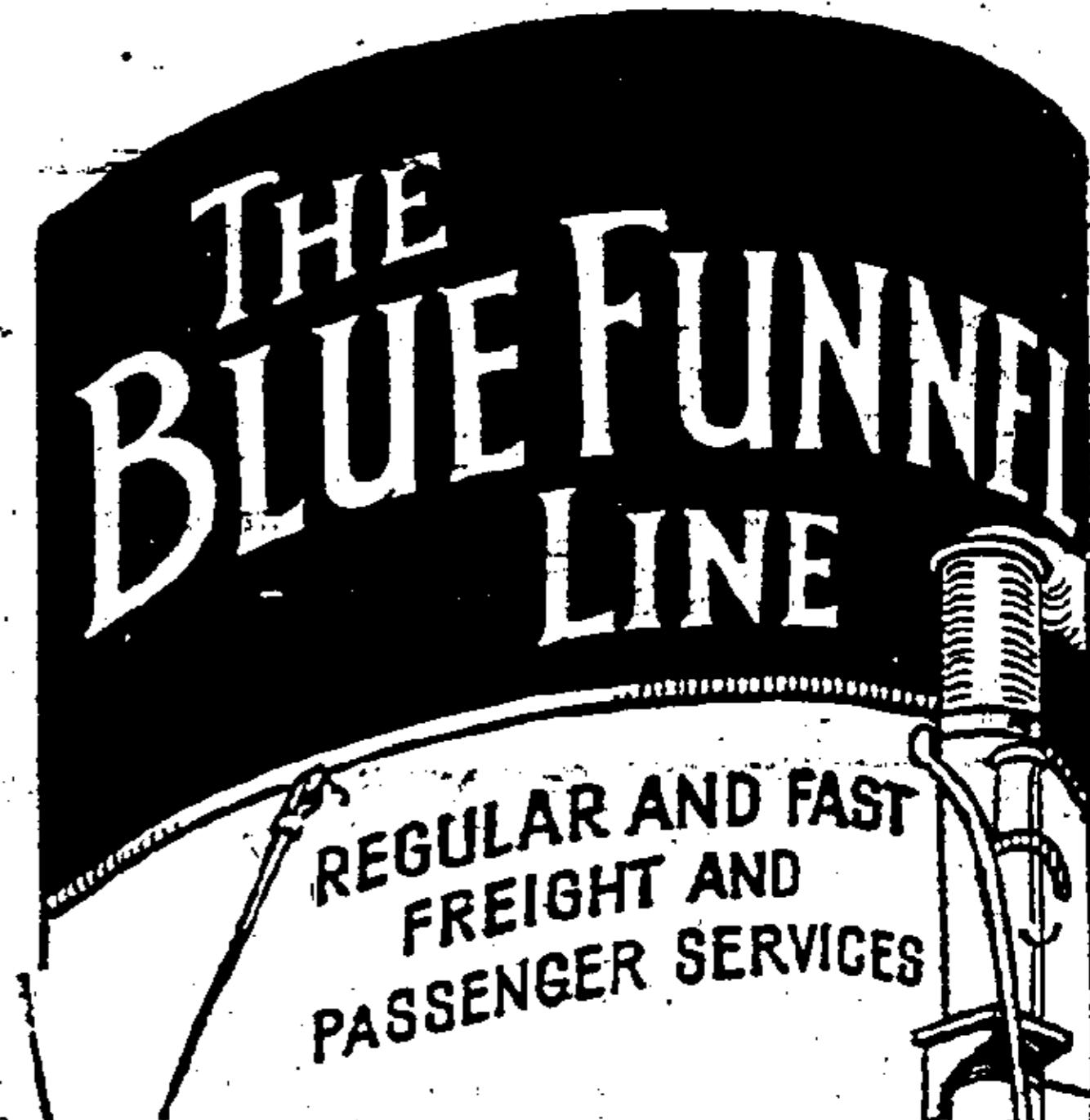
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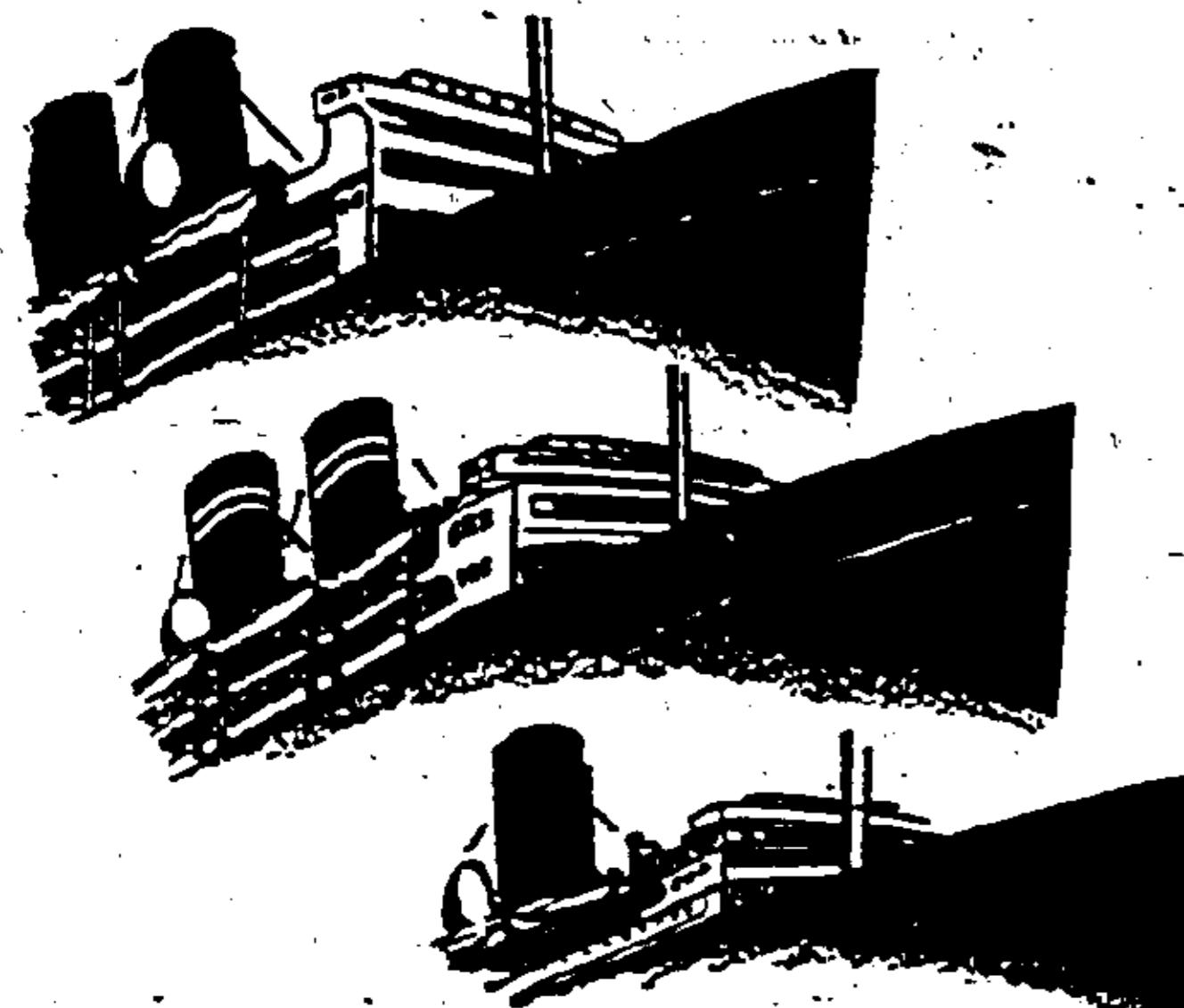
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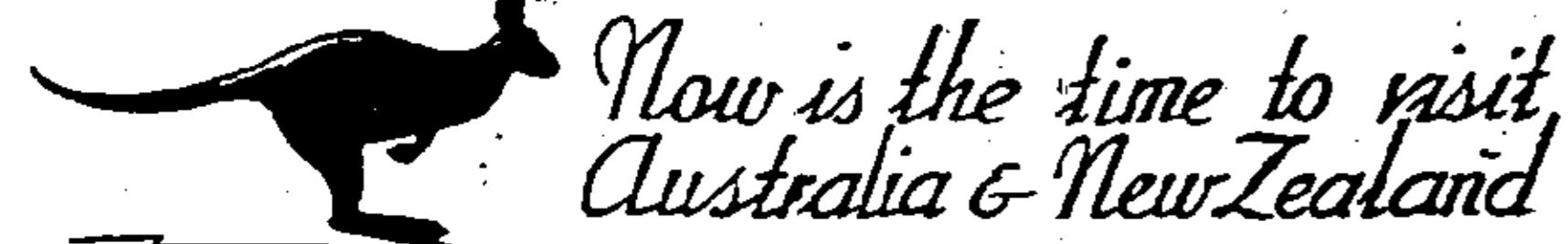
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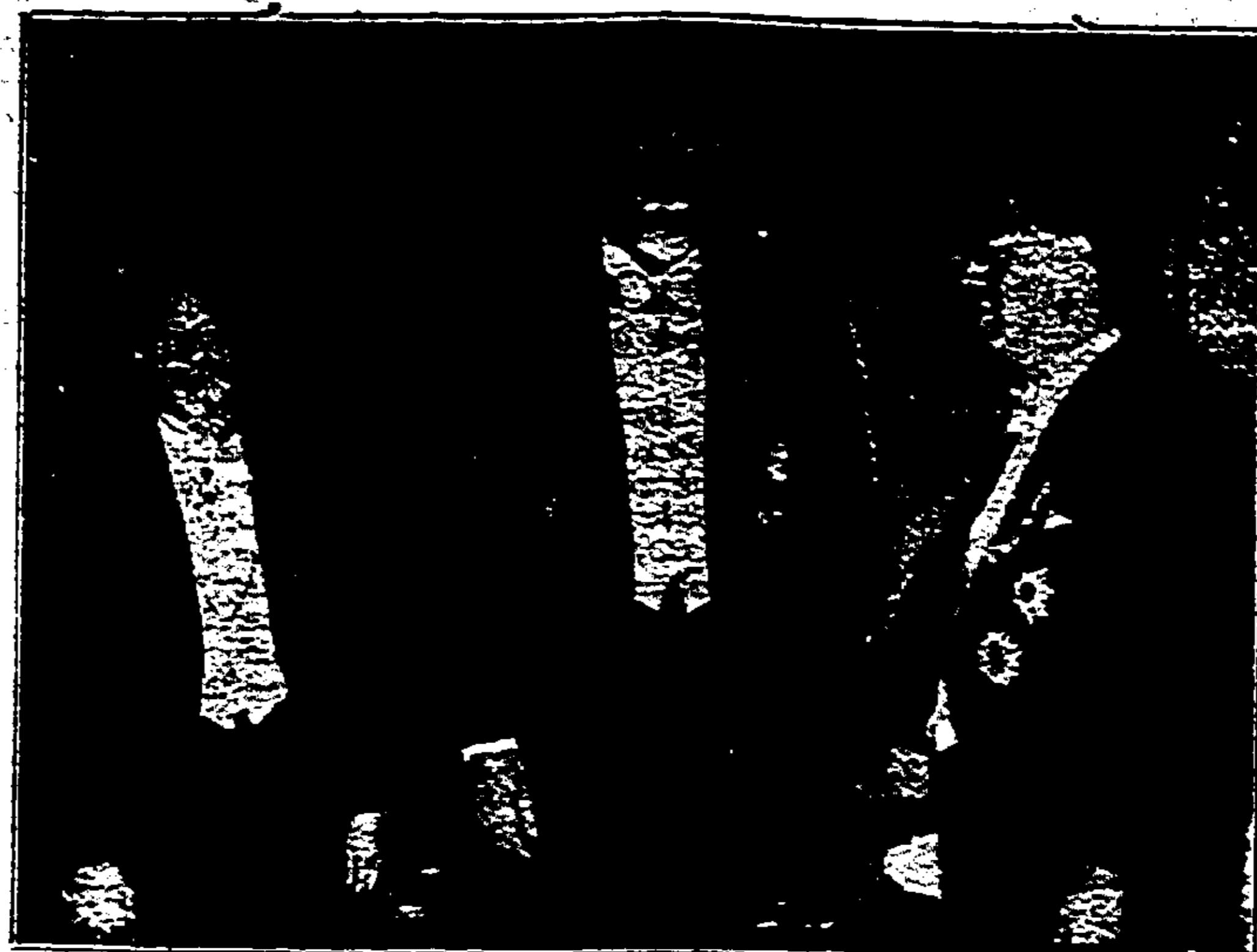
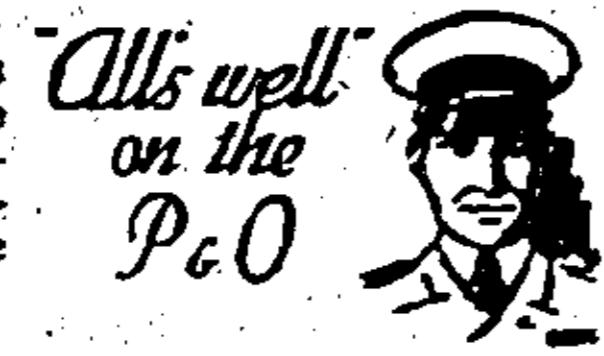
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TILAWA	10,000	25th June	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
SOMALI	7,000	7th July	Shanghai & Japan
NELLORE	7,000	7th July	Shanghai & Japan
NALDEA	16,000	9th July	Shanghai & Japan
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### O'REILLY IS CHIEF DANGER

(Continued from Page 4)

Keep an eye on the last two. I think they will both go a long way.

I don't suppose Frank Woolley and Phil Mead are likely to go out to Australia again, but no list of left-handers can be complete without their names.

Well, here is a good blend to supplement your Hammonds, Sutcliffes and Wyatts.

#### Captain's Mistakes

I have never been able to see the reason for a captain changing his order of batting to avoid two left-handers being in together.

It is a mistake to keep two batsmen hanging about in the pavilion with their pads on.

You might as well have two left-handers batting together, because they give a double dose to bowlers who don't like bowling to them.

I know the idea is that you are upsetting the field when there is so much changing over with a lot of changing over with a left and right-hand batsman together.

Actually, this causes a waste of time, which often counts as much against the batting as the bowling side.

In any case there is no object in wasting time in Australasia where every Test Match is played to a finish.

#### Ambidextrous Players

I am all for this experiment and advise that, if a left and a right-hand batsman are of equal merit, the left-hander should be chosen for the coming tour.

Funnily enough, Hedley Verity, who is a strong candidate for another trip to Australia, is a left-hand bowler and a right-hand bat, while Morris Nichols is the other way around.

Charlie Macartney was another ambidextrous player; right-hand bat, while Morris Nichols is the other way around.

Their skipper, the Maharajah Kumar of Vizianagram, tells me he is disappointed with their bowling up to date, for he had expected it to be better than the batting.

I think he is a bit too impatient. Jack Gregory, who was a fast right-hand bowler, like Nichols, used to crack that ball through the covers at lightning speed. Others in my time were Darling, Hill, Ransford and Barsley.

What an awful time a fielding side will have if ever we get a left-handed Bradman!

I am glad one didn't turn up while I was fielding at cover-point, for I had to do enough tramping for left-handers as it was.

There is an important point to be borne in mind, and one which may be used as an argument against my theory.

This is that sometimes the left-hander has to face the rough spots made by the bowlers in their run-up to the wicket close to the leg-stump which, of course, is the off-stump to him.

It's a batsman says "No," it is no use the other batsman running.

The only safe course is for "No" to be the decision.

To be successful in running between wickets, you must have faith in the fellow whose call it is.

In The Blood

"Had that young man lived 200 years ago I have no doubt that he

### STRONG ENGLAND

#### "Greatest Assurance Of Peace"

"A strong England is the greatest assurance of peace that the world can have," said Lord Bayford, chairman of the Association of Conservative Clubs, speaking at an association conference in Birmingham last month.

He appealed to all members of Conservative clubs to support the Government's intention of strengthening the British defence forces.

#### Argument Refuted

I thought to myself, "Poor old Maurice is going to be up against it in this series of Tests," and I began to consider whether it would be wise to drop him.

This just proved how wrong one can be, because Leyland was one of our most successful batsmen, and came out with a Test average of 57.

In Australia the bowlers do not wear the wickets with their run-to-the-extent as they do here, so the danger to left-handers is negligible.

I have mentioned O'Reilly as the bowler to be most feared when we go to Australia because I don't consider Grimmett the force there that he is on English wickets, though I am not belittling his powers.

I hear that Fleetwood-Smith's finger is pretty bad.

If he recovers in time, he is an other who will give us trouble.

A left-hand googly bowler, of fair pace, he has greatly improved since we were in Australia last.

Indians At Lord's

The Indians are at Lord's to day.

Their skipper, the Maharajah Kumar of Vizianagram, tells me he is disappointed with their bowling up to date, for he had expected it to be better than the batting.

I think he is a bit too impatient. The wet and cold weather encountered on arrival prevented the Indians getting any decent practice, and they have had cold winds in their opening matches.

Bowlers accustomed to a hot sun can't get their fingers round the ball to spin it in such weather, and their muscles have not yet been properly loosened.

I feel sure they will fulfil expectations once the weather is kind, and hope they have a successful match at Headquarters and extend the strong M.C.C. team opposed to them.

#### Running Between The Wickets

I am sorry to see several of the Indians have been run out. This is a weakness I have noticed before.

They don't trust the other batsman whose call it is.

- If a batsman says "No," it is no use the other batsman running.

The only safe course is for "No" to be the decision.

To be successful in running between wickets, you must have faith in the fellow whose call it is.

#### In The Blood

"Had that young man lived 200

### RECENT WILLS IN ENGLAND

#### Barrister Leaves £1,000 To Housekeeper

Mr. William Charles Cooke, of The Rose Temperance Hotel, Adlestrop, Gloucestershire, a retired bank messenger, left £1,000

Mr. Armand John Hall, barrister, of Vernon Terrace, Brighton, and of Lincoln's Inn, who left £49,818, directed that his body should be cremated and "the rings and trinkets which I ordinarily wear on my watch chain shall be buried with my remains."

Among his legacies were £1,000

to his housekeeper, Frederica Maria Groenfeld, and £500 to his housemaid Emma Golds.

Sir Charles Harding Firth, Professor Emeritus of Modern History at Oxford since 1925, left £50,644. Legacies included £300 each to his maids, Mary Elizabeth Giles and Lena Guille, and £100 to his gardener, William Higgins.

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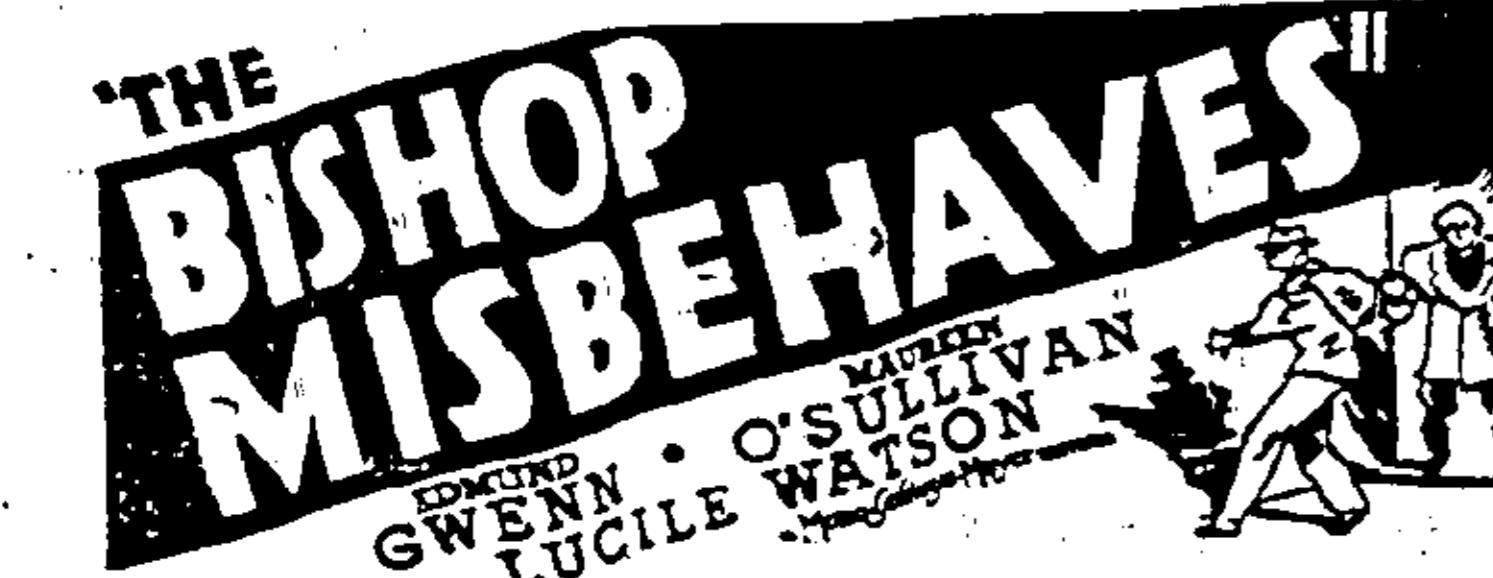


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## U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

Boston Red Sox Share  
Double Header

### PHILLIES BLANDED OUT

New York, To-day.  
The following were the results  
of the League baseball matches  
played yesterday:

National League

	R.	H.	E.
New York	3	10	1
Cincinnati	7	12	1
Brooklyn	1	7	1
Pittsburgh	2	8	2
Philadelphia	0	8	3
French pitched.			
Chicago	3	7	0
American League			
St. Louis	3	9	1
New York	12	16	2
DiMaggio and Gehrig homered.			
Chicago	4	9	2
Philadelphia	5	10	2
Ten innings were played.			

Detroit ..... 3 11 0

Boston ..... 6 9 0

Fox and Cronin hit home runs

Detroit ..... 12 12 5

Boston ..... 7 8 2

The game between Cleveland and Washington was postponed on account of the rain, while no other matches were scheduled.

—Reuter.

## EMPIRE PRESS UNION

Annual Conference  
In London

London, To-day.

The annual conference of the Empire Press Union opened in London yesterday. Major J. J. Aspinwall, President of the Union, presided over a gathering representative of the home, Dominions and Colonial press. The delegates were welcomed by the Dominions Secretary, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, who said that the sovereignty now belonging to the Dominions was complete and final. The freedom of the constituent parts of the Commonwealth and the spirit it engendered was an essential condition of harmonious co-operation within the Empire.

The Postmaster-General, Major Tryon, also spoke and assured the conference that the Post Office was doing its utmost to give to the Empire communications with the highest efficiency and at the lowest possible rates. British Wireless Service.

## EMBEZZLEMENT OF £9,000

Postmistress Sent To  
Prison

Postmistress for 41 years and described as the friend and adviser of the village in financial matters, Elizabeth Sudding Geddes, aged 62, of Port Gordon, Banffshire, was at Edinburgh last month sent to prison for 12 months for embezzling £9,575. She pleaded guilty.

The money was received for investment from 38 persons in sums ranging from £1 to £2,000. It was stated on her behalf that until the first offence in 1921 she lived a blameless life and was identified with all the charitable work of the village. She advanced money to people in difficulties. A sum of £4,000 was still due to her by fishermen.

With her own money she had paid £3,000 interest on the amount embezzled, and had derived no benefit whatever.

## SPECIAL PARTY OF VISITORS

Zoo Helps Hospital Fund

The Zoo authorities last month conducted visitors round the gardens in aid of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London. Tickets, which included tea, were 10s.

Apparently this was considered rather high for the party consisted of only 80 people. They heard a short address by Mr. Julian Buxley, secretary of the Zoo. Then they were shown round by curators.

The programme included intro-

## BRITISH WAR DEBT TO U.S.

Another Exchange  
Of Notes

## SUSPENSION OF PAYMENTS TO CONTINUE

London, Yesterday.

A White Paper issued in London last evening gives the texts of correspondence between the United States Government and the British Embassy in Washington with regard to the British war debt. The Department of State addressed a note on May 22 to the British Ambassador, transmitting a statement of the amounts due half-yearly since June 15, 1933, and including June 15 next, under the Debt Agreement of 1928 and the Moratorium Agreement of 1932, and reiterating the willingness of the United States Government to discuss any proposals the British Government might desire to put forward as to payment. The statement shows that the total amount due on June 15 next is \$35,670,765.

In acknowledging the note and the accompanying statement on June 7, Sir Ronald Lindsay said:

"His Majesty's Government explained in their note of June 4, 1936, the reasons for which they were reluctantly forced to suspend payments. Those reasons are unfortunately no less valid now than they were then. His Majesty's Government desire me to express their appreciation of your assurance that the United States Government are ready to discuss any proposals in regard to payment which may be put forward, and I am instructed to assure you in return that His Majesty's Government will be glad to reopen the negotiations whenever the circumstances are such as to warrant a hope that a satisfactory result might be reached." —British Wireless Service.

## GRAF ZEPPELIN SETS OUT FOR S. AMERICA

Frankfurt, To-day.—The airship Graf Zeppelin started for South America yesterday at 8 p.m. with 20 passengers on board. —Trans-Ocean Service.

## SUEZ CANAL IN POLITICS

Absolute Neutrality  
Stressed

Paris, To-day.

The permanent and absolute neutrality of the Suez Canal was emphasised by the Chairman, the Marquis de Vogue, at the annual general meeting, held yesterday.

He said that the recent fantastic reports would be answered by an international convention providing that any Power forbidding entry into the Canal to another Power would be guilty of an act of war.

—Reuter.

## HEAVY RAINS IN ASSAM

## FIFTY VILLAGES FLOODED

Shillong, Assam, To-day.

Exceptionally heavy rains have caused flooding in many parts of Upper Assam, in which

50 villages have been inundated.

Crops have been destroyed and

a large number of houses washed away.

The casualties at present

are small, but thousands

of people are homeless. The

Government is organising relief. —Reuter's Bulletin Service.

## WEATHER REPORT

Pressure is highest over Japan and to the eastward of the Pacific. An elongated depression lies over S. China, Formosa and the Looches. South-west winds, moderate; fair to showery, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

Clouds to Zoo pets. Tame

snakes were taken out of their

cages to creep round the shoulders

of anyone who wished, and the

25ft python was obliging enough

to eat a chicken for the benefit of

the visitors.

## TWO STEAMERS COLLIDE

Russian And German  
Vessels

## ALLEGATIONS DENIED

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.

The entire Russian Press conducts a prolonged attack against Germany, alleging that in the collision between the German Steamer Pollux and the Russian Steamer Meshinsky on May 4 the German vessel steamed away,

leaving the Russians to their fate.

An investigation made by the German marine authorities, whose findings has just been published, shows that both vessels received

only slight damages, dense fog pre-

vailing at the time of the collision,

and the German steamer waited

for two whole hours trying to

make wireless contact with the

Russian vessel, which had con-

tinued on its way to Leningrad.

Only when all efforts to locate

the whereabouts of the Meshinsky

proved fruitless, did the Ger-

man steamer also continue its

voyage, and both steamers reached

their home ports safely.—

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A Columbia Picture

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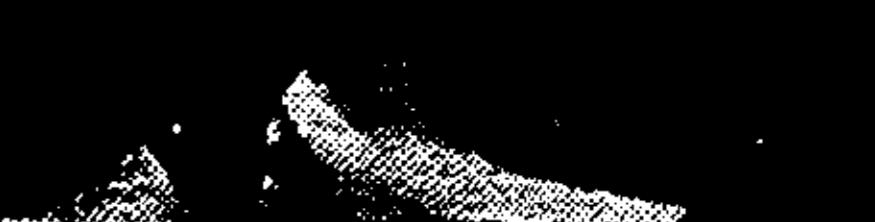
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